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HOW THE TIBETANS DISPOSE OF THEIR DEAD.

In no country in the world does a more gruesome practice of disposing of the dead prevail than in Tibet. The Hindus burn, the Christians and Mohammedans bury; but in Tibet the dead are mutilated and the pieces thrown to the vultures. A Tibetan is buried only when he dies of some epidemic. The worst epidemic in Tibet is small-pox, but there are also some mysterious throat and influenza outbreaks which thin out the population of various districts. In any case, an extraordinary well-to-do Tibetan is usually cut up, no matter what he dies from. It is the highest form of funeral obsequies. It is the Buddhist custom to keep the corpse for some days before removal. The reason for this, it is believed, is that there remains a tiny part of the vital spark and the lama who is brought in for the funeral rites may yet bring the corpse back to life. When a Tibetan dies the body is left untouched until the family lama arrives. In the meantime the people of the house get things arranged for the ceremony that is to follow. Cushions and tables are laid round the room, butter is purchased and the butter lamp bowls cleaned up; the butter is melted down and the bowls filled. The lamas, the number of which depends on the means of the family, have to be well fed, and consequently a good spread has to be got ready. Buttered tea, Tsamba soup and meat and dumpling form part of the feast. Tibetans turn very sympathetic when death occurs and are eager to help the bereaved family and generally send one or two of their family to the dead man's house to cook and attend on the lamas carrying out the funeral ceremonies.

THE FAMILY LAMA.

On the arrival of the family lama the corpse is stripped, the knees broken, and the body doubled up; a piece of gauze cloth is then wrapped round the body and over this a thick piece of woollen blanket is again wrapped and securely tied up. The body is then placed in a corner and screened off; within are also placed the tea bowl and clothing used by the dead man when alive. It may be mentioned here that when a Tibetan dies away from his home exactly the same ceremony takes place and the deceased is imagined to be present by an effigy of himself.

The lama now commences making up the altar with ornaments made out of butter and tsamba (barley flour) and butter lamps and bowls filled with clear water are arranged neatly in rows. Books are unwrapped and laid before the chief lama, who reads in a loud voice, joined by the others at the end of a para in chorus. The deceased is warned of the long journey he is about to make; to be careful and circumspect, as the road is narrow and full of pitfalls; to beware of ogres and savage beasts and those demons who hunger after human spirits, having themselves been men but not having attained rebirth owing to their very wicked lives. Then the lama asks the deceased most to be feared. If the dead man has been a good Buddhist in his natural life he will surely attain Buddhahood and his soul will be rest and will not hover about the house which his family fear most. But the Tibetans have a means of combating the latter by diminishing the height of their house doors, which are only about five to six feet high; they believe that the ghost forgetting to duck will surely get a nasty knock which will keep him stationary. These low doors are a nuisance to Europeans in Tibet and most annoying. The Buddhist continues to be reborn in either one of the various hot or cold hells until at length he succeeds in destroying those human frailties—ignorance, lust, and anger—after which there is no cause for creation of the experienced world and thus Nirvana is attained. As sure as night follows day the Buddhist believes that death must follow life and is indifferent when a member of his family falls ill. They are satisfied with the family lama's decision, or to be more precise his "prophecy." The wheel of life is the lama's guiding light and he abides by it.

DEATH CEREMONIES.

To return to the death ceremonies, the corpse is generally kept for three days and on the fourth in the early morning is carried out after the lama has decided in which direction the body must be moved. A long piece of white cloth is tied to the bier while it is still on the ground with the corpse securely strapped to it. The family members walk round the bier three times. They place scarves on the head of the dead man, prostrate themselves three times and bid him farewell. The bier is then raised and the lama takes hold of the scarf and leads the way out. Friends and other relatives are now at liberty to pay their respects to the dead man and follow the bier in single file for a short distance, when they also prostrate themselves three times on the corpse and depart. The bearers are very careful not to drop the corpse because it spells evil and if this occurs the body will have to be disposed of on the spot. A few extra men are always ready to relieve the men bearing the bier. The bodies are generally removed before daylight before the people of the town are up in order to avoid the evil eye. The Tibetans believe that the higher up the body is taken the better the merits attained and less the trouble of attracting the vultures. In this connection I will give a personal narrative. I was stationed some years ago at Phari-jong, a place about 10,000 feet above sea level and quite Arctic in winter. Being anxious to witness the mutilation of the dead as an opportunity offered and I was told that at 3 a.m. when it was still quite dark and about two feet of snow on the ground, I took some run to give me some courage to face the revolting spectacle. I intended taking a series of photographs. I was just in time, meeting the corpse at the very door of the house and accompanied it to the lower spurs of Mount Chumihari, a distance of three miles. By the time we reached our destination the sun was just tinting the lofty peak. But the wind also rose and intensified the cold, beating up the dry snow.

I knew this would hinder the early arrival of the great scavenger birds. On arrival at the place of mutilation the corpse was set down and everything retired to a turf built but for refreshments, viz. hot soup and tea. I also found a full band consisting of drum cymbals and clarionettes in attendance.

A HORRIBLE SMELL.

As the wind was unbearable I went into the hut for shelter, but after ten minutes I became aware of a most horrible smell. The only opening in the hut was the door and with about twenty unwashed lamas and human body butchers one can imagine the air inside the hut even at an elevation of 10,000 feet. I bolted in time to prevent a most sickening feeling developing. I was so disgusted that I kept away from the hut and endured the most awful cold. I was, however, anxiously waiting for the operation to commence. I noticed the musicians, donning their monastic caps and getting their instruments ready and incidentally the butchers also got their knives ready. The music commenced and the butchers advanced towards the corpse and untied the strappings, unwrapped the covering and pulling out the limbs straight. A boy lama soon pilfered a scarf which was enclosed with the body and soon after began pulling out the hair from the head of the corpse and burnt it over a yak dung fire close by. The butchers then began making despairing gestures and scanned the horizon and the sky for the birds but the weather was awful and one butcher, eager to commence the job quickly, deftly struck an arm off and began to cut off small pieces as one would sharpen a lead pencil. As the birds did not turn up the mutilation had to stop for about two hours. The butchers retired, but kept one on watch. The watcher straining his eyes towards the sky to catch a glimpse of the welcome speck. After a time from nowhere two birds settled down almost by the corpse and a great noise went up from the musicians and butchers.

AND A GREAT FEAST.

The butchers then commenced cutting the body up and yelling out "sho! sho!" ("Come! come!") towards the sky. In ten minutes time there was a great rustling and the air was filled with vultures swooping down. Huge pieces were thrown to the birds and the butchers saw that every bird got a share. No sooner was a bone shorn of its meat than it was tossed to another man to be smashed up. The ravens, which also hankered after a bit, were driven away both by men and vultures. It is a rule that the butchers must not use till every vestige of meat and bone is gobbled up, and the rock table literally cleaned bare. While the mutilation proceeds, the butchers are brought tea and chang and the cups held to their mouths to be emptied. I saw none of the butchers consume any of the flesh; that is a pure exaggeration. The butchers are called by two names, viz. pabroh (one who throws away the corpse) and Rho-Glabas (corpse sweepers). They are the lowest class and incidentally the untouchables of Tibet, but they are well paid for the work they do and I have known some who have waxed rich and gradually slid back amongst the higher classes. It is a good omen for the birds to rise immediately the feast is finished. As they fly away they receive expressions of farewell with thanks and other complimentary remarks by all present. A great feast accompanied by music followed at the hut and was kept up until sundown—Times of India.

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THE CANTON SHIPPING STRIKE.

THE GOVERNMENT'S "REASON" FOR THE WAR TAX.

The strike of the transport firms in the Canton Delta against a levy of 20 per cent on freight and passenger rates, which began on May 4th continues.

Aside from the several hundred steam launches doing tug service and the scores of silk, rice, salt, and other freight junks, says the Canton *Evening Star*, nearly a hundred mixed junks plying between the principal island towns and Canton are now idle. This means that hundreds of towns and small cities are now cut off from communication with Canton. These mixed freight and passenger junks are owned by about 75 individuals or companies.

They demand the repeal of the tax, but the Government is representing that it needs the money to organize a movement for the suppression of piracy on the rivers, and the launch and junk owners would thereby be saved the sums they now pay to pirate organizations for immunity. River craft owners apparently have no confidence in the Government's promises, and are, therefore, having regard to the obvious need of large funds to carry on the military operations now in progress in the East River region.

An item of news in a Canton contemporary reads: "Very few piracy cases were reported in Canton last week, probably owing to the shipping strike, during which no important junk service has taken place."

OTHER NEW TAXES.

During the last fortnight taxes have been imposed on the manufacture and sale of patent medicines; on the sale of cosmetics and other toilet articles; and fees have been levied for holding religious festival, and for wedding or funeral processions. License fees for sedan chairs and registration fees for chair bearing coolies have also been announced.

WAGES IN JAPAN.

According to statistics prepared by the Japanese Social Affairs Bureau, the average wage paid in Japan to-day is Yen 1.55 per day. Men are earning a daily wage of Yen 1.79, while women are paid at the rate of Yen 0.88.3.

Classified according to kinds, the statistics show that the highest wages are paid to employees in electrical and gas works (Yen 2.25); mechanics earn on the average about 50 sen less per day; while dyers are paid at the daily rate of Yen 1.00.

Wages in the Tokyo area are higher than anywhere else, averaging about Yen 1.55; and in north-western Japan they fall as low as Yen 1.15. In Osaka and neighbourhood the average rate is about Yen 1.70.

The same Bureau has issued statistics of working hours, showing that in some trades employees are called upon to do fifteen hours per day, and that the average length of the working day is 10hrs. 20mins.

The number of working days per month is on the average twenty-seven, but in mining districts one more.

A BIG COMMERCIAL FLYING-BOAT.

While Squadron Leader MacLaren was heading off from Calshot for the coast of France another interesting event was taking place on Southampton Water. This was a trial flight of the new type of large twin-engine commercial amphibian designed and built by the Supermarine Aviation Works, Ltd., Southampton. It took off quite successfully, and climbed straight away to a height of 2,000ft.

The hull is of the recognised supermarine construction, circular in section, and so built that it is comparatively flexible and is, so to speak, a circular spring. If the boat strikes the water hard the give of the hull, which is called "paning," absorbs the shock and prevents damage. In a land aeroplane this function is performed by the elastic rope with which the wheels are attached to the undercarriage.

In many types of flying boat, including the *Vulture*, the hull is rigid and no provision for shock absorption is made. The same is the case with float seaplanes. Then the pilot must get the craft down on the water without undue shock, but supermarine practice provides mechanical aid to human skill.

The new boat is designed to take 14 passengers in the cabin and is driven by two Rolls-Royce 300-h.p. Eagle engines. The craft provides a curious sight for passengers crossing the River Itchen by the floating bridge, for the roof of the cabin makes a camel-like hump on the back of the hull, and the long, thick struts of the landing wheels have an unusual appearance. It is the only twin-engine amphibian yet built.

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"Music has been divorced from literature and art in this country. Away back in the sixteenth century our people made their own music. They did not go to concerts then."

"Music is again, however, coming into its own, and is no longer the Cinderella of the arts. The reason why the piano in any opinion lacks real tune is because 'the wolf' had to be avoided. The wolf is the discordant noise which is always obtained from any keyed instrument which is tuned perfectly."

"At the same time, it must be realised that we cannot do without the piano, but while admitting that fact, it should be realised by everybody that the piano is not the perfect instrument; that so many families imagine it is."

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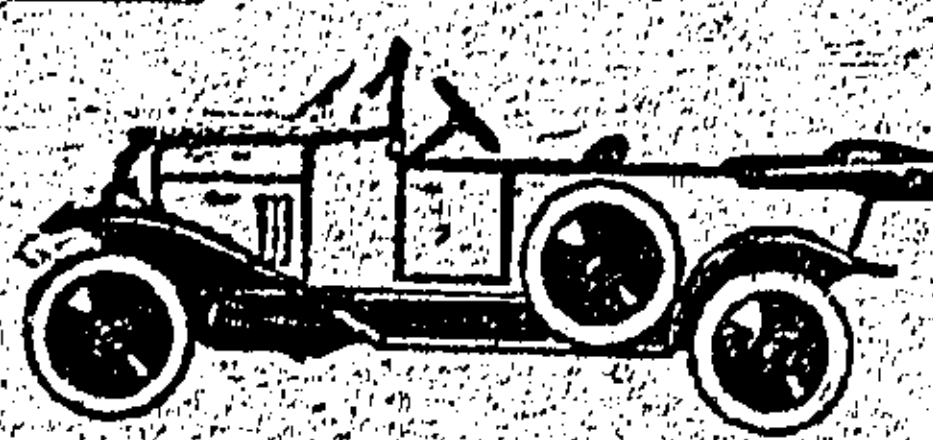
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Prejudiced people are for ever decrying the attractiveness of cricket. One declares that the boys of England are not playing the game, and another asserts that there is a diminishing public who watch the spectacular matches. The secretaries of important clubs can give evidence concerning the sustained popularity of the sport.

But who can say whether the rising generation are following in the footsteps of their fathers? The answer to this charge is provided by the athletic outfitters, the dealers in sports requisites, and the manufacturers of the materials needed by cricketers of all grades. The manufacturers must be able to estimate better than any one.

Having known the famous house of Gunn and Moore, since its foundation in 1883, both William Gunn and T. J. Moore being friends of early manhood, I went to them for information, as their fame as makers of bats is their renowned speciality, they turn out bats of several grades, and some for boys.

The orders received from the big public and elementary schools, from the universities and from county councils and education committees convince Gunn and Moore that cricket was never more in favour with youngsters and adults.

Nothing can be so argumentative as "orders," big orders like several given, maintained from year to year by public institutions and bodies, to prove that the use of willow and leather is an enthralled as ever it was. Indeed, the charm of cricket is more powerful, and is felt over a wider area, than ever remembered.

At the factory at Castle Boulevard, Nottingham, I found myself confronted with 60,000 blocks of willow piled one above the other in squares so that the winds perpetually play upon the timber. Every block was the blade of a bat to be. These represented 2,000 willow trees—bought and cut down on various estates between October and February when the sap has ceased to rise, and for this is the only time of the year during which to fell the trees.

After exposure in the open air the blocks of timber are removed to drying sheds, for every bat needs seasoning during twelve months. There were bats in every stage, from a section of the tree trunk to the white, glossy, finished William Gunn—a work of art that thrilled the nerves of the fingers and aroused memories of happy days—with this difference, that the bats then were not so well made and had not such driving power.

It is obvious that Gunn and Moore would not be seasoning 60,000 blocks for blades, producing 1,000 bats a week, and shipping cases full of them to all parts of the world if cricket were decaying. According to the prophets cricket should have been dead long ago, but a tour of two hours round the Castle Boulevard works would put all these Jeremiahs to flight.

THE RAW MATERIAL.

When Gunn and Moore started their great adventure at a shop in Carrington Street, Nottingham, nearly opposite to their present premises, the staff included Mr. J. C. Rice, Mr. William Sherwin, Mr. J. Stirling, and Mr. R. Bloor, who are now members of the firm and very actively engaged in the several departments to which they devote all their thought and energy.

Mr. William Sherwin's special concern is the making of bats in this factory. Being the son of Mortimer Sherwin, the world-renowned wicket-keeper of Nottingham for the greater part of 20 years, it is not surprising that he was reared in an atmosphere of cricket, and that from boyhood he has been on this practical side.

William Sherwin is an authority on willow trees. He is the buyer of that most essential part of the raw material—the willow, which can only be grown in England. There is neither the soil nor the conditions for successful willow culture in other countries.

Anyone could give an opinion on a willow after it is laid low and split open, but Mr. Sherwin has to know all that is essential about each tree while it stands upon its roots. There are a dozen kinds of willow, but there is only one variety—the soft sallow—which makes the beautiful bats of Gunn and Moore.

The good buyer knows where to go for what he needs and he can tell from inspection of the bark, and other outward and visible manifestations, what is within. Only experience can be a guide in such a matter.

When the trees reach Nottingham they are split with a giant axe and mallet into blocks, or as they are called, "clefts," of about 8 lbs. By the aid of the adze, and the circular saw, this "cleft" is pared of all but the part which will make a first-class blade, which when it is put out to season, is further roughly hewn until it weighs about 3 lbs.

FASHIONING THE BLADE.

When the process of drying and maturing the blade has been completed it passes to the highly-skilled workman, who commences operations on the business part of the bat. There are over 70 employees in this factory and they have passed their days in the art of bat-making. It is an art, for the bat has mostly to be made by hand. Machinery and any device for turning out bats by a lathe, the same as stumps, would be fatal. So long as all men are not of one pattern bats cannot be.

Hence, the skilled craftsman picks his bat with a draw-knife as a tool as indispensable to him as the chisel to the sculptor. Shaving and paring with masterly touch, he brings out the "swell" in the back of the blade that gives weight in the right place for driving. Gunn and Moore claim to be the first manufacturers who left this hump on the back, and remember that this protuberance has to be gained without disturbing the balance of the bat, without weakening any other part, and without getting the complete bat too heavy.

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The following letters recently appeared in *The Times* (London):—

(1.)—You pointed out a few days since that the number of students offering themselves for the study of medicine had suddenly decreased from more than 2,000 to 543, and that, three or four years ago 3,000 and upwards so offered themselves. We are told that fewer and fewer students come forward for the Church, while the Navy and Army are both drastically cut down, so that fewer are wanted for these Services. What is left of the professions? The law, wherein we are told there are many more cats than catch mice; aviation, dentistry, accountancy perhaps. But in the meanwhile there are more and more young men who are looking round to see how they can render themselves useful to mankind and be able to earn their bread. What do they do? Emigrate! Few are accustomed to manual labour and an emigrant has to use his muscles. The Civil Service is being reduced. There is diplomacy and there is a commercial life. Is it that the professions have lost their attraction and our young men are going into business?

IS IT WORTH IT?

(2.)—With reference to your Medical Correspondent's contribution in *The Times* of the 15th inst., it is not surprising that a slump has taken place in the number of entrants for the course of instruction required before qualifications in medicine and surgery can be obtained. The fathers of a new generation, of any business acumen, are beginning to see that the large sums expended for education, extending over the best years of a young man's life, are practically wasted, when the very inadequate earnings of medical practitioners are taken into consideration, and the long hours of their daily work, averaging certainly more than 12—and then only a bare living is obtained! The cost of a career for a son who wishes to take university degrees in medicine and surgery mounts up as follows:

A preparatory school from eight to 14 £1,500
A public school for five years 1,250
A university course of five years 2,000
£4,750

and this total does not include vacation and general expenses.

To take the numbers on the British Medical register from the M.D.'s of the great Universities and the F.R.C.S.'s to the licentiates of the Apothecaries Society, and divide the numbers obtained into their yearly earnings, it is very doubtful if even £200 per year is available for a livelihood after all expenses have been deducted from the gross takings. Is it worth it?

There are exceptional men who require a bat of 2 lbs. 10 oz., and even 3 lbs., but the average weight of a bat, including the rubber on the handle, is 2 lbs. 8 oz. The blade has to be modelled, and the symmetry maintained with the scales always before the man with the draw-knife, for he is a handcraftsman with a trained eye and a deft touch. It is well to realise that we have the raw material and the artists in this country only.

It is, too, peculiarly fitting that Nottinghamshire, which has turned out more professional coaches to teach cricket to the world than any other country, should now produce thousands upon thousands of bats, and, by almost universal consent, the best.

FITTING IN THE HANDLE.

When the draw-knife has done its work the front of the blade is put under a press. This is mechanical, but even here the machine was invented by William Gunn and William Sherwin. The back of the bat fits into a bed, which moves on a level plane, and revolving steel drum exerts a pressure of four tons on the face of the bat, which is compressed, welded, and hardened.

The same process is applied to the edges, but not content with that the edges are also beaten with a very business-like hammer. Some batsmen use the edges for scoring! The wit has been known to say, on the return of the player to the pavilion, "Your bat has a splendid edge." The wit thinks he is very clever, but if he saw the workmen pressing and hammering the edges at this Nottingham factory, he would say that all these bats have splendid edges, as well as "middles" almost as tough as teak.

When the blade is completed there is the delicate operation of fitting into the splice the cane handle, which consists of 16 pieces of cane and three strips of a rubber made into one homogeneous piece, like the propeller of an aeroplane. This cane is rattan Sarawak, and, coming from Singapore, is bought by the shipload. The canes are planed, glued, pressed, and moulded until they are complete. Their adjustment in the groove, so as to get the fit, the centre, and the equilibrium is a matter of nicety and exactitude.

When all this has been done the twine is rapidly wound round the handle by the aid of a lathe, and the bat is secured with three grades of what we may call sand-paper—although its surface looked like ground-glass. After that comes the application of elbow-grease by the aid of a bone or a piece of Sawdust cane, until the surface shines as if it had been varnished.

But neither varnish nor linseed oil is applied to the modern white willow bat—either the "Autograph" or the "Cannon" brand of Gunn and Moore—prior to sale. Of course, varnish is never used, but the cricketer has to oil his bat in due course if he wants to preserve it and keep it in condition.

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A MIXED DEAL

BLANKET OVERCOATS FOR MACAO.

In the Summary Court, yesterday morning, before Mr. Justice Dyer Ball, a case was heard in which the Lun Cheung firm of No. 35, Kwangtung Road, sued the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm of No. 36, Kwangtung Road, and Cheong Wai Kam, alias Cheong Wai Kam, for balance due on goods sold and delivered.

Mr. N. I. Brewer, represented the plaintiff, and Mr. E. S. C. Brooke appeared for the defence.

Counsel for plaintiff said the defendant Cheong Wai Kam was the managing partner of the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm, and the Lun Cheung firm was managed by the plaintiff and several other partners of whom the defendant was one. The plaintiff's claim was for goods sold and delivered, viz: 125 blanket overcoats, which were sold by the Lun Cheung firm to Cheong Wai Kam. The defendant Cheong Wai Kam, approached the manager of the plaintiff firm Cheong Ming Sam, saying that a Macao firm, Wing Sing, were willing to purchase the goods. Cheong Ming Sam refused to deal with the firm other than a cash basis because he did not know them, whereupon the defendant Cheong Wai Kam, asked that the goods be handed to him on credit, stating that he would deal with the Wing Sing firm. The goods were then delivered to the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm's premises, and Cheong Wai Kam himself took delivery and chopped the receipt with the Yee Sang Hop Kee chop. The original amount agreed upon for the goods delivered, was \$1,020.00, but \$200 was paid on account when the goods were delivered.

The defence had notified the plaintiffs, what counsel would show.

Counsel said, that it was their intention to state that Cheong Wai Kam was not and never had been the managing partner or partner in the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm. If the Yee Sang Hop Kee and Cheong Wai Kam were identical, obviously the claim merged. If Cheong Wai Kam as a partner had the right to bind the firm then their claim was against him on the oral contract he had made and the claim against the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm would be an written contract. Another possibility was that if Cheong Wai Kam was not a partner but only an agent entitled to use the chop on specific occasions, and if he used that chop without the consent of the head of the firm, then their case against Cheong Wai Kam on the oral contract remained unaltered and their case against the firm was that the firm was liable for the acts of its agents. He would adduce evidence to show that Cheong Wai Kam had used the chop on other occasions and he would put in documents showing that Cheong used the chop for his own personal receipts. He would also produce evidence of general repute that Cheong Wai Kam was the proprietor of the Yee Sang Hop Kee, and would show that credit was definitely refused to the firm in Macao and was given to Cheong Wai Kam personally instead. He would also show that the plaintiffs refused to deliver the goods until the chop of the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm had been affixed to the receipt. He would also show that Cheong had also started that the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm was his own property.

Evidence was called by the plaintiffs as to Cheong Wai Kam receiving the goods.

The defendant Cheong Wai Kam, in evidence, denied receiving the 125 blanket coats. He admitted receiving three only. He also admitted being a partner in the Yee Sang Hop Kee firm but not in the plaintiff firm.

The defendant, cross-examined by Mr. Brewer, said Yee Sang Hop Kee was a partner in the firm of Lun Cheung.

A document was produced bearing the chop of the Yee Sang Hop Kee. He denied knowledge of this and also denied putting the chop there. The \$200 was paid by him in respect of the three coats he received.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

THE CAPTIVE "YIYANG MARU" OFFICERS

ADVENTURES OF THE \$100,000 RANSOM

The \$100,000 sent to Hokiang to ransom the two Japanese of the Yiyang Maru was recently brought back to Chungking, and arrangements are being made for a sufficient escort to convey it to Tungshai-cheng, a journey of four days from Chungking through bandit-infested country.

LOCAL SPORT.

FINAL OF THE MIXED DOUBLES

The final of the Mixed Doubles was played off yesterday afternoon on the Stand Court before a very small number of spectators. The match resulted in Miss P. Grace and R. E. Worthington defeating W. Hattersley Smith and Mrs. Hattersley Smith by two straight sets. The handicapping was excellently arranged as witnessed by the scores, 8-6, 6-4. The winners owed 30 in every game and the losers played from scratch.

The outstanding feature of the match was the very excellent play of Miss Grace, who in addition to serving swiftly and accurately, used a fore and drive across Court, which must have been the envy of the male players who witnessed the match. Miss Grace could also be relied upon to get in a telling "kill" at the net. Her opposite number, Mrs. Hattersley Smith, made a special feature of cross court driving, which repeatedly came off and won for her lots of applause. The Major came in for lots of work and played quite a convincing game of tennis. Worthington was not nearly so hardy worked but when occasion demanded he rose to it with his usual brilliance. Despite their adverse handicap Miss Grace and Worthington were too strong for their opponents for they formed a better combination.

After leading 3-1 in the first set, the winners lost the next three games, making it 3-4 against them. The score was then carried 3-4 in favour of the losers and the end of the twelfth the score was 6-6, but the winners secured the next three games and the set.

The Military couple commenced better in the second set, and at the end of the fourth game the score was 2-2. The Naval couple won the next two and the Military pair the next couple, which made it 4-4. The winners took the next two, which gave them the second set and also the match.

FOOTBALL.

AFTER THREE MEETINGS.

The East Surrey Regiment Reserves and the Club de Recreo met for the third time yesterday, and after playing an extra period the result was as in the previous games—a draw, neither side scoring.

SUMMER HOCKEY.

On Friday, the 10th instant, at 3.15 p.m. a match will be played on the 24th Battalion Grenadiers ground between that Regiment and a scratch team of Navy and Club players as below:—P. W. F. Mills; G. H. Piercy and Lieut. H. Buckle, R.N.; Capt. R. W. Bagot, R.N.; E. J. R. Mitchell and A. V. T. Dean; Comdr. L. J. Ingham, R.N.; Mid. G. Staden, R.N.; Lieut. J. A. C. Hill, R.N.; G. R. More and H. Overn Hughes.

The Navy and Club players will play in whites.

THE QUINTS AT THE STAR THEATRE.

The "Quints" are having a successful season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon. On Monday night they kept a large and appreciative audience in roars of laughter and last night they had another successful show. They conclude their season in Kowloon this evening. On Thursday they are to give an entertainment in Canton. Before bidding farewell to the Far East they are going to appear at the Theatre Royal.

NEW COMPANY AT THE STAR.

Altogether novel for Kowloon is the entertainment the Star Theatre has booked for Thursday evening, when Mr. Robert Bore and his clever company will give a vaudeville programme. That their performance is quite different from the usual vaudeville run is speedily apparent from the list of their accomplishments. These range from playing classical music to a knockout "turn". Mr. Robert Bore, apart from his work as a comedian, is a conjuror, a juggler, a pianist and a lightning caricaturist. Some of the feats of jugglery are those which are usually found in the conjuror's repertoire, but most of them possess that rare attribute—originality, the feat wherein the juggler's skill signifies the correct value and suit of a card picked casually by any member of the audience being particularly mystifying. Among his other tricks, Mr. Bore completely blindfolded, walks along a zig-zag line drawn on the stage and calls out figures and names written at intervals along the line. Mrs. Bore assists with some very clever sleight of hand, and also gives a remarkable exhibition of rifle and revolver shooting. The company member of the Company is Mr. George Bore who plays a dozen different musical instruments, especially the violin, exceptionally well. One of the outstanding features of the production is the beauty of the settings, notably the scene in old Japan.

THE NEXT EXTRA RACE MEETING.

THE ENTRIES.

Following are the entries for the next Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club which takes place on Kowloon Day, Saturday, May 24th:—

1st and 3rd Races.—COMMONWEALTH HANDICAP. "B" and "A" CLASSES. SIX Furlongs.—Yellow River, Watthead, Gaudie, Full House, Duku, Langsat, Exchange Bill (late Marygold, late Carnation), Sycee, Bill, Bandicott, White Rose (late Harkaway), Strathfarrar, Loch Rannoch, Koh-I-Noor, Arbor Day, Haruna, What to do, Nastaran II, Hartfield, Rialto Star, Jungle Cock, Pawnsop, King Charlie, King Alfred, Peter Pan, Silver Leaf, Belle Isle, Benz, Uncle George, Blue bottle, Linonite, Magnificent Dahlia, Valiant Dahlia, Edenhall, Starland, and The Wreck.

2nd Race.—COLONIAL STAKES. Five Furlongs.—Golden Jubilee, What to do, Goom Rock, King Pippin, Pet Mouse, Peter Pan, Cottongrass, Silver Leaf, Uncle George, and Musketeer.

4th Race.—THIRD AGGREGATE STAKES. One Mile.—Yellow River, Full House, Sycee, Bill, Rothsay (late Ramsbury), Loch Rannoch, Koh-I-Noor, Arbor Day, Hartfield, Pawnsop, Spotted Sand, King Charlie, Fern Leaf, Benz, Kapi, Magnificent Dahlia, Valiant Dahlia, and Edenhall.

5th Race.—HONGKONG SELLING PLATE. One Mile.

Entered to be sold for	Dr. F. H. Kew's Bandicott	Dr. F. H. Kew's White Rose (late Harkaway)	Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Arbor Day	Mr. McKeth's Utinkee	J. M. D'Almeida Remedy's Goom Rock	Mr. Dynasty's King Pippin	Mr. Dynasty's Pet Mouse	A. H. Carroll's Oak Leaf	Mr. Topsie's Mountain Hawk	Mr. Aripas's Bluebottle	A. A. Alves's Jodestone	Mr. Goodie's The Wreck
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6th and 7th Races.—EMPIRE HANDICAP. "B" and "A" CLASSES. 11 Miles.—Yellow River, Watthead, Gaudie, Full House, Duku, Langsat, Golden Jubilee, Exchange Bill (late Marygold, late Carnation), Sycee, Bill, Bandicott, Grey Dragon, Rothsay (late Ramsbury), Arbor Day, What to do, Nastaran II, Hartfield, Rialto Star, Sunstar, Pawnsop, Spotted Sand, King Canute, King Alfred, Pet Mouse, Cottongrass, Satisfaction Dahlia, Fern Leaf, Silver Leaf, Mountain Hawk, Kapi, Uncle George, Magnificent Dahlia, Valiant Dahlia, and Starland.

JOCKEYS' FAREWELL TO BILLY HILL.

ENTHUSIASTIC GATHERING AT SHANGHAI RACE CLUB.

STRAIGHT TALKING ON CHINA RACING.

The "past and present" jockeys of the Shanghai Race Club attended in force at the Grand Stand at a complimentary farewell dinner to Billy Hill, who on the 8th inst. retired from China. It was a vast and enthusiastic gathering, those present, possibly in a desire to forget their sorrow at losing such a valuable and popular member of their own little circle, giving full vent to their opinions on China racing matters in general. Such matters may never come to general knowledge, but it would be all to the good of racing in China if they did.

Mr. C. R. Burkill, possibly the one racing man in China whose opinions are beyond question, presided and, in proposing the health of Mr. Hill, made such a speech as only he could. He mentioned that Mr. Hill made his first appearance in race riding in Queensland in 1893, when he won in a field of 15. He first rode in the East at Hankow in 1903 and he won the "Champions" in that place in 1905. Since then he had won other Champions in Shanghai, Hankow, Hongkong and Tientsin. Amongst his greatest achievements, as losing the winning 15 at Hongkong in 1905 in one meeting, 15 at Hongkong, 12 at Tientsin and 13 at Shanghai. At Hongkong he had won four Derbys, out of five and in all China he had a total of over 600 firsts to his credit. Since September last he had ridden 50 winners.

The highest praise that could be given to Billy Hill, said Mr. Burkill, "is the fact that every owner in China wants him to ride for him, and if the pony can win, it is a 99 per cent. sure thing that with Billy Hill up he will win. We are losing one of the best. He is top of the tree and there is not a finer rider in all China."

There was much more complimentary speaking by men well qualified to do it, and on the excuse of such toasts as "The Shanghai Race Club, coupled with the China pony" and "The Future Jockey Club of China" there was a deal of thoroughly sound and sane argument, much good advice to young jockeys and some very straight talk to Press critics. Indeed, as one who could justly said, "This is something approaching a jockey's dinner, and there could be no greater compliment than that."

An excellent entertainment arranged by Mr. G. B. Stormes punctuated the speeches, the appropriate refrain of "William the Conqueror" running continually through it, and not the least pleasing feature was the conjuring of Mr. Reginald Kay, assisted by Mr. Archie Knoll. (N.C. Daily News.)

MARRIAGE FOR LOVE IN CHINA.

GIRL STUDENTS' SOCIETY FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

MAY NOT BE MASTER.

A group of girl students in the Government University in Peking have organized a society for the right and independence of women, and they have already won many supporters. They have issued a declaration, which is somewhat as follows:

For more than ten years the gospel of the rights of women has been preached in China, but no definite result has yet been obtained. It is useless to indulge in empty talk, so we must act. The iron wall of the old family system is to be pulled down, and means of livelihood be provided for the women of the country, so that they may live independently and wield their inalienable rights. The principal thing for us to do in view of the bondage imposed upon the women in the country is to provide free education for the younger female generation and secure for them the means of livelihood. The following shall be our object in the formation of the present society: 1. The old system shall be abolished. (a) The idea that man is the master of woman shall be completely removed. (b) The slave dealing method in the marriage shall be done away with. (c) The system of polygamy shall be strictly prohibited.

2. The laws shall be revised. (a) The equality of men and women shall be provided for in the National Constitution and the Election Laws. (b) The idea of equality of men and women shall be inserted in the civil codes regarding the relations between husband and wife, parents and children, legacy, and other particulars. (c) The prohibition in the police regulations against the meetings held by women shall be removed. (d) The system of marriage by love alone shall be promoted. (e) Regulations for the protection and equal treatment of women labourers shall be made. (f) All labours and industry damaging the character and health of women shall be prohibited. (g) It shall be provided in the law that the marriage of concubine shall be punished according to law prohibiting polygamy.

3. Female education shall be encouraged. (a) The present policy of education shall be revised and extended. (b) The co-education system shall be introduced in all schools and colleges in the country. (c) For the education of the poorer class of girls, more literature shall be distributed. (d) Female industrial education shall be introduced everywhere.

4. Women labour shall be introduced. (a) Women shall be allowed to hold positions in Government and private offices and institutions. (b) Women factories shall be introduced. (c) More women employees shall be engaged by shops and stalls.

In order to attain the above mentioned objects, it is imperative that more literature shall be distributed and the work of propaganda shall be carried on everywhere; that a national women's meeting shall be called to decide the various legal problems; and that numerous educational and industrial institutions shall be introduced at once.

CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Alexandre Dumas, the famous novelist, poet, and dramatist of the nineteenth century, who wrote "The Three Musketeers," "Monte Christo" and countless other works, is the author of "The Lady of Monsereau," the film version of which is presented at the Queen's Theatre today and to-morrow. It is a French picture of France in medieval days when might was right. Knighthood was still in its prime and the picture cleverly depicts a time when men strove for fair play. Miss Genevieve Felix, in the title-role gives a very attractive performance and does not monopolize the historic honours as she is supported by an excellent cast who carry out their parts with understanding.

"The Lady of Monsereau" is on view at all performances. To-day, the "Olympia Rollies" give their last performances at 5.15 and 9.15.

THE CORONET.

An entire Oriental city, with palaces, bazars, bridges, etc., was built for "One Arabian Night," the remarkable First National feature production which comes to the Coronet Theatre this evening. Wonderful as the exterior is, however, the interiors are even more striking in their magnificence, especially the harem scenes and the throne room settings which are beyond question works of art with their groupings of beautiful women gorgeously dressed. Added to all this is the mastery, timing, giving colour effects rarely achieved. The theme of "One Arabian Night" is all that one might hope for from the name. Pola Negri takes the part of a dancing girl, and besides displaying all the charm and vivacity which her many admirers have learned to expect, she gives a fascinating exhibition of dancing before the Sheikh in whose harem she is installed as a queen. Lubitch, the master director, himself portrays the hunchback clown, and Paul Wegener the Old Sheikh. "One Arabian Night," besides being one of the most unusual pictures that has yet come to Hongkong, is also one of the most beautifully produced.

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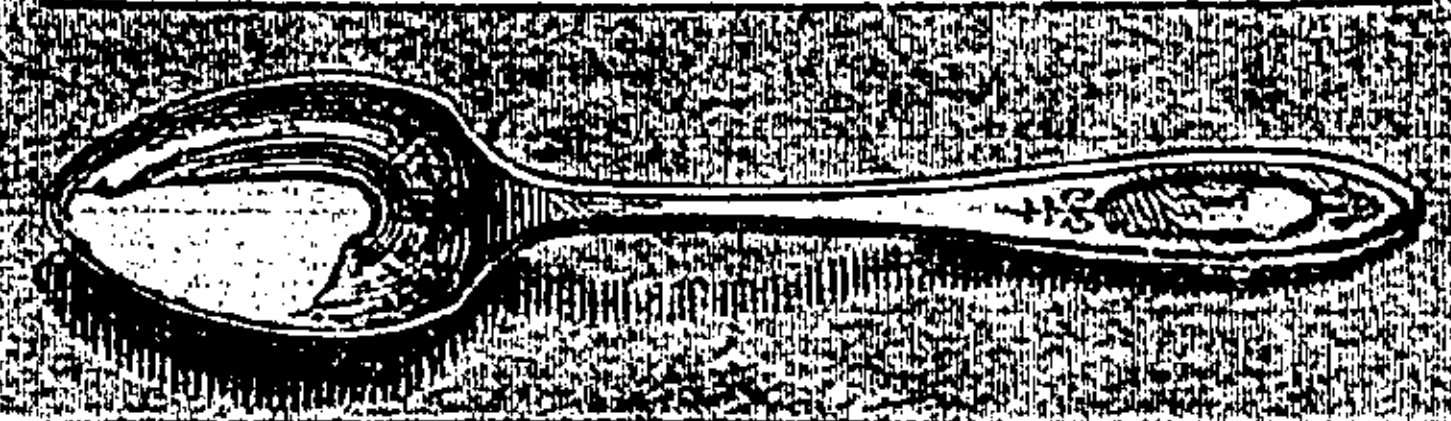
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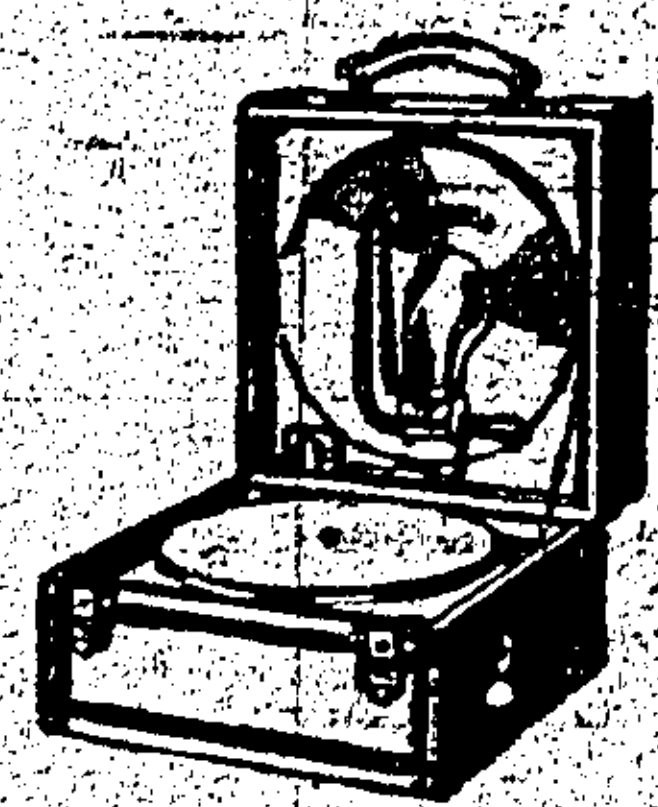
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By Order of the Committee,
J. W. KEW, Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th May, 1924. [774]

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To the MACAO ELECTRIC LIGHTING CO. LTD., for generously undertaking the Electrical Decorations and Supplying Current Free of Cost.
To the Directors of the LUNA AMERICANA for the loan of their very popular Orchestra whose Brilliant Performances contributed considerably to the success of the KERMESSE.
To the Directors of the GARANO MILITAR and especially to Captain ANTONIO DA SILVA VIGIL, for kindly permitting the use of the Grounds for the Work of Preparation.
To the Directors of the PUBLIC WORKS DISTRICT for the loan of Plants and Decorations.
To all Those who otherwise helped to make the KERMESSE a success.
JULIO ANTONIO EUGENIO DA SILVA,
President of the Confraternity,
Macao, 8th May, 1924. [778]

NOTICE.

DURING My Absence from the Colony, the Hongkong Office will be in Charge of Mr. R. B. OST who will Sign "Per Procuration."
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E. B. C. BORNELL,
Hon. Secretary.
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TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Weather and Ground Permitting
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UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 16th MAY, 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1923, and of declaring Dividends, etc.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 2nd to May 16th, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1924. [700]

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 16th MAY, 1924, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1923, and of declaring Dividends, etc.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 2nd to May 16th, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1924. [701]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 16th MAY, 1924, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1923, and of declaring Dividends, etc.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 2nd to May 16th, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.
Hongkong, 28th April, 1924. [702]

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on MONDAY, 20th MAY, 1924, at Noon.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 16th May, 1924, to 28th May, 1924, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
S. J. JOBDAIN, Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th May, 1924. [753]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO. LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate for 4 Shares numbers 23102/23105 issued on 5th June, 1902, in the Name of IP CHING SUN has been declared LOST, and should the same not be produced before 16th MAY, 1924, it shall be deemed Cancelled and of No Effect.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1924. [732]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"CLAUS RICKMERS"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon TO-DAY.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 16th instant, at 10 a.m.
All Claims must be presented within Fifteen days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th instant, will be subject to rent.
Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be counter-signed.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by
N. M. LANGE, VERVOORTSCHAP,
CARL RODIKER & CO.,
HAMBURG-MAATSCHAPPIJ (LTD.),
Agents Rickmers Line,
Hongkong, 10th May, 1924. [702]

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NOTICE.

WE have This Day Authorized STEATHMORE TATHAM BUTLIN, A.C.S., to Sign our Firm's Name Per Procuration.
[785] LINSTAD & DAVIS.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Underigned on FRIDAY, 22nd MAY, 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1923.
THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd May, 1924, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents.
Hongkong, 5th May, 1924. [743]

WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on FRIDAY, 23rd MAY, 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to the 29th February, 1924.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th May to 23rd the May, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
E. O. HOLT, Managing Director.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1924. [759]

BANCO NACIONAL ULTRAMARINO.

TENDERS are hereby invited from Contractors and Engineers in Macao, Hongkong and Canton, for the CONSTRUCTION of a NEW BUILDING for the Macao Branch of the BANCO NACIONAL ULTRAMARINO, on land situated at AVENIDA CORONEL MESQUITA, MACAO. Tenders will be received up to the 10th INSTANT and should be presented under Sealed Cover. Plans and full details in reference thereto may be examined at the Office for the Work any day between the Hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., and also at the Bank's Office during Business Hours, and other details or explanations required may also be obtained at the Bank's Office daily between 4.45 and 5.30 p.m., or by appointment.
H. M. LOPES, Manager.
Macao, 7th May, 1924. [703]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Scrip No. 4227 for 500 shares EVO COTTON MILLS LTD. in the name of Mr. EZRA ABRAHAM of Hongkong together with a duly executed transfer deed purporting to assign the said shares has been lost.
The said shares are the property of the Underigned and application has been duly made to the Company for the issue of a Duplicate Scrip.
The public is therefore warned against dealing with the said Shares without reference to the Underigned. Any person having any knowledge as to the whereabouts of the said scrip is asked to communicate with the Underigned.
ELLIS & CO.,
No. 23 Ice House Street.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"LAOMEDON"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 12th May.
Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th May will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underigned on or before the 2nd June, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1924. [747]

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BIRTH.

TAYLOR.—At Shanghai, on May 7th, to

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. TAYLOR, a

daughter.

Hongkong Office: 1A, Chater Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

Hongkong, May 14th, 1924.

THE MIXED COURT QUESTION

AT SHANGHAI.

Cases from Peking recently have in-

formed us that the Chinese demand for

the rendition of the Mixed Court at

Shanghai has approached the stage of

formal negotiation between the Chinese

Government and the Diplomatic Body.

It may be regarded as the thin end of

the wedge driven into Extraterritoriality

in China. The British Treaty of 1855 lays

down that "Chinese subjects who may be

guilty of any criminal act towards

British subjects shall be arrested and

punished by Chinese authorities accord-

ing to the laws of China," while "British

subjects who may commit any crime in

China shall be tried and punished by

the Consul or other public functionary

authorised thereto, according to the laws

of Great Britain." The British Govern-

ment under this Treaty obligation estab-

lished a Supreme Court at Shanghai, and

the Chinese Government established at

Shanghai a Mixed Court; but, in the

Chefoo Convention it was admitted by

the Chinese Government that the officer

presiding over the Mixed Court "either

from lack of power or dread of unpopu-

larity, constantly fails to enforce his

judgments." Consequently the Chinese

Foreign Office invited the Foreign Re-

presentatives in Peking to discuss with

it the "measures needed for the more

effective administration of justice at the

ports open to trade." The outcome of

this discussion was the introduction of

the Mixed Court system of judicature

which prevails to this day. By the terms

of the Chefoo Convention it is under-

stood that so long as the laws of the

two countries differ from each other, there

can be but one principle to guide judicial

proceedings in mixed cases in China,

namely, that the case is tried by the

official of the defendant's nationality.

The official of the plaintiff's nationality

merely attending to watch the proceed-

ings in the interests of justice. If the

officer so attending be dissatisfied with

the proceedings it will be in his power

to protest against them in detail. The

law administered will be the law of the

nationality of the officer trying the case."

In general practice a foreign assessor

sits with the Chinese Magistrate and often

takes a prominent part in the trial, and

we suppose it is his duty to see that

judgments are enforced when the officer

presiding over the Court "either from

lack of power or dread of unpopularity,"

as the Chefoo Convention has it, fails to

enforce them.

But if we may trust the Chinese

allegations in regard to the working of

the Mixed Courts there is a good deal

that is unsatisfactory about them. We

have before us at the moment an extract

from a Peking paper welcoming the

arrival in the Capital of a delegate of

the Shanghai Bankers' Association who

had come "at the request of the people

of Shanghai" to represent to the

Government the case for demanding full

control of the Mixed Court by the

Chinese Authorities. It is naively stated

in 1911 the Chinese Government has

provided no funds for the maintenance

of the Court, and the Chinese magistrates

have consequently become "mere em-

ployees of foreigners, who have thus

gained the full control of the Court."

Charges are made against the foreign

Assessors of disregarding the laws of

China which, according to the Treaties,

are to be administered in the Court, and

it is also alleged that "the employees of

the Court co-operate with bad lawyers

to extort money from the parties to a

case." "The Mixed Court to-day," the

statement says, "is honey-combed with

corruption." Well-to-do Chinese living

in the international settlements are

represented as being in constant fear of

arrest on false accusations. "When a

petition is received, the accused will be

at once summoned, and put into the

house of detention pending trial. He may

be released on bail, say of \$1,000, and

when the trial is due to come on, the

accuser is seldom to be found." What

amount of truth there is in these reports

we do not know, but if these things are

true under present conditions we do not

see what guarantee can be given that

they would not occur if the Court were

entirely under Chinese control. We are,

at all events, disposed to believe that

the fact that Foreign Assessors are ap-

pointed to the Court serves to check,

even if it does not entirely prevent, evils

of the character alleged.

Times may have changed in China since

the Chefoo Convention was signed, but

it would have been useful to have had

the opinion on the subject of that Inter-

national Commission of Jurists con-

templated by the Washington Conference,

but whose visit has been indefinitely

postponed at China's request. It is,

however, interesting to see that the

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.)

POINCARÉ'S GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

RESIGNING NEXT MONTH.

STATE OF THE PARTIES.

PARIS, May 12th.
The French Government has been defeated in the elections.
M. Poincaré has told M. Millerand that himself and the Cabinet would resign on June 1st.

REPARATIONS QUESTIONS.

It is semi-officially stated that the plan of the Experts will probably remain the base of the French reparations policy, and even if M. Poincaré ceases to direct public affairs, his successor is not likely to abandon altogether the policy of the present Premier.

CHEQUERS VISIT CANCELLED.

It is understood that M. Poincaré has decided not to go to the Chequers.

LEFT'S MAJORITY.

PARIS, May 12th.

All the Ministers who sought re-election have been returned.

With 274 results available the United Left Parties retain a majority of 23 over all the other groups.

Details:—

Left Parties 274
Right Parties 274

The Left Parties are composed of:—

Radicals and Radical So-
cialists 127
Republic Socialists 30
Socialists 101
Communists 28

The Right Parties are composed of:—

Conservatives 11
Moderate Republicans 92
Left Republicans 92
Independent Radicals 348

M. Fabry, Minister of Colonies, M. Painlevé, former Premier, and M. Cachin, Communist leader, are among the returned.

While M. Sadi Léon, the aviator, M. Worth, head of the dressmaking firm, Philippe Barres and his son Maurice Barres are among the defeated.

The newspapers emphasize the vulnerability of any Government based on such a narrow majority without a common constructive policy and whose only point of cohesion is its opposition to the Bloc National.

A wide field for speculation has been opened by the suggestion that in order to safeguard its chance of survival the new Government must secure the support of the Right Centre groups and form a coalition of Republican concentration, though with a considerably more left complexion than M. Poincaré's Government.

EARLIER CABLES.

RUSSIAN EMBASSY IN LONDON.

LONDON, May 12th.

To the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Ponsonby said the Government had received a request from the Soviet chargé d'affaires to hand over the building, furniture and archives formerly belonging to the Imperial and Provisional Russian Governments. The British Government had explained that they had no power to compel the present holder to hand over, and failing an amicable arrangement the Soviet Government must avail themselves of the ordinary legal procedure.

BRITAIN AND THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

UNPAID BALANCES FOR EDUCATION.

LONDON, May 12th.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Ponsonby said the details in connection with the allocation of the unpaid balance of the Boxer indemnity for purpose of education had been settled. A Bill will be introduced at an early date to make the necessary provision.

NO RUSSO-GERMAN TREATY YET.

MOSCOW DISTINCTLY ANTI-GERMAN.

MOSCOW, May 12th.

These have been anti-German processions, with music and banners at the outcome of events in Berlin. The German Embassy is now guarded by mounted police.

LATEST CABLES.

THIR FRENCH FLIGHT.

DOISY REACHES HANOI.

APPARENTLY SKIPPING HONGKONG.

HANOI, May 12th.

Doisy landed at the military aerodrome this afternoon after a short stage from Saigon. A large and enthusiastic crowd gave him an ovation.

Doisy was received by the Secretary-General and the General Commanding. Toasts were drunk in the principal bazaar, where a decorated reception room was arranged.

Doisy is to be received to-morrow by the Governor-General.

PARIS, May 12th.

The five hundred mile flight from Bangkok took six hours, as a strong head wind prevailed. Several storms occurred, and forced Doisy to ascend to three thousand metres.

[Lieut. Belletier Doisy left Paris on April 25th with the intention of flying to Tokyo, and the announcement of his arrival in Hanoi means that he has covered the distance from Paris to Hanoi in 18 days.

We understand that Lieut. Doisy will proceed from Hanoi to Canton and from Canton probably to Foochow.

Lieut. Doisy is a French Army aviator of Algeria and an airman of some renown. During the war he distinguished himself by a number of raids far into hostile territory on a Breguet machine. Two years ago he flew from Tunis to Paris and thence to Casablanca in the same day.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY.

MOSCOW, May 12th.

Protests against the incident in Berlin are expressed throughout the country. Demonstrators at Tiflis took up a threatening attitude outside the German Consulate, which was protected by a cordon of police.

MALARIA IN RUSSIA.

RIGA, May 12th.

Malaria is spreading rapidly in Russia. The *Pravda* reports that 75 per cent of the population in the Gorkhiskas district of the Caucasus are stricken down. The number of cases at Kieff has doubled since April.

Plague has broken out in Turkestan.

EARLIER CABLES.

IRISH BOUNDARY DISPUTE.

LONDON, May 12th.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Thomas said the Government of North Ireland had refused to appoint a boundary commissioner. The whole subject was receiving the immediate consideration of the Government.

HOME TRADE IMPROVING.

LONDON, May 12th.

The Board of Trade returns show that imports in April reached £86,165,000, being a decrease of £282,000 compared with March. The British exports were £65,866,000, an increase of £1,764,000.

RUMANIAN ROYALTY IN LONDON.

LONDON, May 12th.

Following visits to France, Switzerland and Belgium, their Rumanian Majesties this morning, escorted across the Channel by four British destroyers and five aeroplanes, landed at Dover and were met by the Prince of Wales. They remained for London, where they were cordially welcomed by the Queen and King, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and other Ministers and distinguished persons. They drove with their British Majesties through cheering crowds and belaguered streets to Buckingham Palace.

A STATE BANQUET.

Buckingham Palace was resplendent on the occasion of a State banquet in honour of the Rumanian Majesties. A hundred and fifty guests included Rumanian, diplomatic, leading national representatives and the cream of society. There was an imposing scene as the Rumanian and Ambassadors went in procession on the way to the banquet room, amid the playing of the national anthems.

Warm speeches were exchanged between the two Kings. The Royal visitors devoted the afternoon to paying homage to the tomb of the Unknown Warrior in the Abbey and at the Cenotaph.

THE WORLD'S SPORT.

HOME CRICKET.

VISITORS AT THE OVAL.

LONDON, May 12th.

Playing against the South Africans at the Oval, Surrey scored 221. Fender scoring 107 in a dashing ninety-five minutes, including a sixer and twelve fours. Peggler took 6 for 63.

The South Africans compiled 139 for 3. Taylor contributing 44.

PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL.

LONDON, May 12th.

A meeting of the Football League, held at Manchester, fixed the Cup winners, Newcastle United, £750 for playing weak teams before the Cup final. Against Aston Villa on April 31st, they played only two members of the regular team.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

SPANIARDS BEAT ENGLISH CUP WINNERS.

BILBAO, May 12th.

The English Cup winners, Newcastle United, touring Spain, have been beaten by one goal to nil by a Spanish eleven.

AMERICAN BASEBALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

ST. LOUIS, 5; NEW YORK, 3.

CHICAGO, 3; BROOKLYN, 7.

CINCINNATI, 4; PHILADELPHIA, 1.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

All matches were postponed on account of rain.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

LONDON, May 12th.

At Torquay in the first round of the Davis Cup, Kingscott (Britain) beat Watson (Belgium), 7-5, 6-2, 8-1. Washer (Belgium) beat Gilbert, 6-3, 7-9, 5-6, 6-4, 8-6.

The contest will be continued to-morrow and on Wednesday.

EARLIER CABLES.

U.S. WORLD FLIGHT.

MAJOR MARTIN RETURNING HOME.

WASHINGTON, May 12th.

It has been decided that Major Martin, the ill-fated leader of the world flight, will not follow the rest of the squadron to Japan but will return to Washington with his mechanic Harvey.

They will be temporarily assigned duty at the army air service headquarters, although their names will remain on the list of world flyers in recognition of the hardships they endured.

REINSTATEMENT.

LATER.

The present intention is, if the American flyers reach Europe, that Martin and Harvey will cross the Atlantic and rejoin them there, thus reinstating Major Martin in the post of honour.

U.S. COTTON INDUSTRY.

ENQUIRY ORDERED.

WASHINGTON, May 12th.

The Senate has ordered an enquiry into the cotton textile industry by the tariff commission.

Mr. Walsh, moving for an enquiry, stated that the present depression in the industry was not due to the importation of cotton goods.

U.S. AND BOXER INDEMNITY.

WASHINGTON, May 12th.

The Senate, without any debate, has decided to relinquish further Boxer indemnity payments to China.

The question when is the best time of year to come to Peking came up among a group of guests at one of the hotels, says a Northern contemporary. As a usual, the old-time residents were not able to agree in their advice. One man who has lived in Peking a long time and is recognized as an authority in matters of general interest, declared that the autumn is the best time to visit Peking, emphasizing the absence of the dust at the time, the cool weather and the autumn colouring. Another resident affirmed that spring is the ideal time to visit Peking, when the lilacs and the myriad of other blossoms are out. When the objection of the dust was mentioned, he held that the beauty of the spring-time and other advantages far outweighed the inconvenience of the dust. The visitor who was seeking information said he would settle the matter by going back to Peking for another visit in the autumn and then draw his own conclusion. And that's the best way to do it.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

STEAMER RUNS ASHORE.

A YOG BOUND ISLAND.

PASSENGERS TAKEN TO SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, May 12th.

The *Glen Amoy* went ashore in a fog on Sunday on Video Island, east of Steep Island Pass. The *Chienyang* discovered her this morning and brought seven passengers here. The *Glen Amoy's* bow is in seven feet of water and her stern is thirty fathoms. Help has been despatched.

[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.]

LESLIE HAYNES IN TROUBLE AT SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, May 12th.

Leslie Haynes, who was sentenced to a short term of imprisonment in London last year, together with other persons associated with what were known as "The China House" frauds, was charged at the British Police Court in Shanghai to-day with obtaining credit from the Shanghai Hotels, Limited, and with engaging in business under a name other than that under which he had been adjudicated a bankrupt. Haynes was admitted to bail on his own recognizances of \$500.

[Haynes is known in Hongkong.]

JAPANESE ELECTIONS.

PREMIER'S RESIGNATION DEMANDED.

TOKYO, May 12th.

The election results up to nine o'clock in the evening were:—

Kenseika 142

Seiyuhanto 102

Seiyuhanto 60

Independents 54

Rikken Seibu Club 50

Business Men 9

Osaika, May 12th.

The people of Osaka are delighted over the defeat of the Government. The newspaper are demanding the immediate resignation of Mr. Kiyoura. Business men here believe that Viscount Kato will be the next Premier because his party is the largest of the three main parties. The Kenseika's financial policy of retrenchment is generally approved here, but it is feared it will cause far-reaching depression of business.

NOT RESIGNING YET.

TOKYO, May 12th.

It is practically decided that the Cabinet will not determine its attitude regarding its defeat in the elections till after the wedding celebration, believing that a political change is not desired by the nation during the festivities.

The Minno faction of the Cabinet is of the opinion they can win over sufficient independent and other votes to make a majority. It is insisted that this be tried before any final step is taken.

It is understood that the Premier and other members of the Cabinet have little confidence in Minno's plan and are determined to resign if, after the celebration, the opposition still has a majority. It therefore appears most unlikely that the Cabinet will wait to face the special session of the Diet which has now been called for June 10th.

DISCUSSING ITS FATE.

TOKYO, May 12th.

With the overwhelming defeat of its partisans certain the Cabinet met this morning to discuss its own fate.

It is understood that the debate was intense, the Cabinet being divided into two nearly equal factions, the first of which, it is understood, Kiyoura is a member. They favour resignation after the State celebration of the Regent's wedding early in June. The second faction, headed by Minno argues that they at least remain till the Diet is convened.

The returns, with only nine seats missing, show that the Government occupy barely a third of the new House; the combined opposition commands 288 seats, not counting the twenty independent voters who are likely to join them.

In regard to the Kenseika strength, the outstanding feature is that this party is capable of demanding that its President, Viscount Kato, be the next Premier.

RESULTS.

Kenseika 153

Seiyuhanto 110

Seiyuhanto 101

Independents 57

Rikken Seibu 50

Business Men 12

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

FIGHTING IN KWELIN.

PEKING, May 12th.

An official dispatch from Changsha quoting a missionary of the Chinese Press states that Shen Hung Ying captured Kwelin on April 25th. Shen's artillery shelled the city and inhabitants, who were in danger of starvation when the city fell.

The dispatch does not mention the fate of Li Yung Ting, who formerly controlled the Kwelin portion.

GOVERNORSHIP OF HUPEH.

General Chou Yu Keli, Director of the Air Department, is likely to be appointed Civil Governor of Hupeh, a post which Hsiao Yao Nan is anxious to surrender, owing to increasing ill health.

HOMELESS JAPANESE IN CANADA.

A DISASTROUS FIRE.

VANCOUVER, May 12th.

Three hundred thousand dollars of damage was done and two hundred Japanese were rendered homeless as the result of a fire destroying the eastern part of the town of Strathcona, twelve miles south of Vancouver.

Two tanning factories, a number of residences, office buildings and several boats were destroyed.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

BANKERS SUED.

MEXICO, May 12th.

The following ex-directors of the Philippines National Bank were sued in civil action this morning to recover losses under the Harrison administration:—Archibald Harrison, brother of the ex-Governor-General; Senator Fernandez Delaney, Madridal, Concepcion, Berry and Encarnacion.

The suits have been long delayed, and only by the strongest pressure has Governor-General Wood obtained action. Six other complaints are expected shortly.

FIGHT FOR A FORTUNE.

A ROMANCE OF 233 YEARS.

For 233 years a fight has been waged for the possession of a fortune of several million dollars which is supposed to be in Holland and was left by General Thiebaud-Metzger, Baron of Wierdenburg, General of Cavalry and Governor of Breda, who died in 1692. The romance of this fortune has been revived by the announcement made a short time ago that M. Metzger, who is employed at the railway station at Issoudun, was about to enter into possession of this fortune. But he is not the only claimant. A Parisian lady, Madame Harriet Klein, is among other claimants, and she has in her possession a number of documents which make interesting reading, for they tell the story of the fortune and the continuous struggle of descendants to get hold of it. General Thiebaud-Metzger had put his sword in the service of Holland and William III., King of England, and Statthalder of the Netherlands, held him in particular esteem. When he died, leaving a fortune of over 5,000,000 florins, the King recognized the succession by special decree, and when informed by the guardian appointed to take care of the estate that there were no living heirs, his Majesty disposed of it in favour of "the Earl of Portland," but on condition that it had to be surrendered if a will and heirs were discovered. It seems that a will was made by General Thiebaud-Metzger dated February 2nd, 1691, leaving his fortune to his eight brothers and sisters. King William III. learned of the existence of this will in 1700, and issued a decree inviting the heirs to make themselves known through the medium of the newspapers. No one came forward, for in all the official publications the general was only known as the Baron of Wierdenburg. A title given to him by the King in 1713 the Court of Holland invoked this abolition in order to deprive the principle of prescription. Mathias Haller, of Kayserberg, in the Upper Rhine, a French soldier and a descendant of the former Governor of Breda, found himself in that town eleven years later, and sought information on the subject of his ancestor through the intermediary of his general. The will written 103 years earlier was communicated to him, and he claimed his share of the fortune but in vain.

Impressed by this claim the Dutch Government in 1788 caused inquiries to be made in France and Germany. These had fruitful results, and the Government declared in Council: "that all former publications having been made contrary to the law and usage of the country, there could not be any possible prescription." After this the descendants of the General sprang up from all sides, and began action, after action. The King of Holland recognized their claims in 1837, and promised to satisfy them. But time passed without the Royal promise being kept. A M. Lemaire lodged a judicial complaint against the Sovereign in 1839, and three years later the Netherlands High Court pronounced the heirs, including the principle of prescription. This judgment did not discourage the descendants. Some ruined themselves in their efforts to obtain possession of the millions. No fewer than 400 of them held a meeting in Paris in 1878, and put their case in the hands of a business man, but without result. Those descendants who still live, and some of them occupy modest positions, have their eye on the millions of florins, wondering whether, as their fathers, grandfathers, and great-grandfathers wondered before them, fortune's wheel will turn in their favour.

ROMANCE OF PAWN-BROKING.

CURIOS FACTS OF HISTORY AND PRACTICE.

EARLY CHINESE PRACTICE OF THE TRADE.

Some curious facts about the history and practice of pawnbroking were referred to at the weekly luncheon of the Manchester Rotary Club at the Midland Hotel recently by Mr. F. Montrose, the president of Manchester Association of Pawn-brokers.

Mr. Montrose said that it was on record that pawnbroking existed in China, and trade was done in advances on commodities even before money was coined. The trade was still carried on extensively in China, and it was of interest that the late Li Hung Chang was the greatest and wealthiest pawnbroker in the world. Pledging was well known to the roving Arabs, and the trade was also known in Nineveh, Babylon, and Pompeii. There was abundant proof that pawn-broking flourished in ancient Greece and Rome. The Roman law contained many enactments relating to the trade, and Herodotus related how the Egyptians pawned the dead and embalmed bodies of their friends, pointing out that it was considered unpious not to redeem so precious a pledge and that the pledger who failed to do so was himself denied burial honours.

Three within the forty-two chapters of Job, Mr. Montrose went on, allusion was made to the deposit of pledges as a security for money. But the Chinese promised the trade with the Children of Israel were quite young in the world, and later their philosophic legislator, Confucius, five centuries before the Christian era, reduced it to an exact science. The Greeks followed suit, but it was the Romans who were the first people to make public business of pawnbroking. In the year B.C. 31 Augustus Caesar established the first "Mond-d-Pieta," the great or common charity which the Italians resuscitated in the Middle Ages.

EARLY ENGLISH MONEY-LENDING.

The early English money-lenders, Mr. Montrose said, were the Jews, who came to this country early in the reign of William the Conqueror, and who, though now, seemed to command the liquid capital of the world. Monetary losses, persecution and uncertainty of life drove most of the Jews out of England, and an opportunity was thus opened for the appearance of the Lombards.

From the Lombards Richard I. borrowed considerable amounts of money, and it was curious to learn that his successor gave a written guarantee to pay the debt a document which was supposed to be the earliest known instance of a letter of credit, afterwards the great factor in commercial life now known as the bill of exchange. The practice of usury was carried on secretly by the Lombards and also by the English themselves.

Many of our rulers were under the necessity of pawning. Henry III. was said to have pawned a valuable image of the Virgin. Edward I. pawned the Customs dues. Edward III., having no dues to pawn, pledged his crown on three separate occasions, and once it remained "up the spout" for three years. In 1330 the same "regular customer" pledged his own and his Queen's crown at the same time, and in 1340 the whole of his jewels followed.

Henry V. pawned his crown for 100,000 marks to his "uncle," the Bishop of Winchester, and his jewels to other persons, authorising them to sell them in twelve months. Henry VI. pawned one of the crown jewels to pay the expenses of his wedding with Margaret of Anjou, while his bride was obliged to pawn her plate at Rouen to pay the expenses of her journey to England. Queen Isabella of Spain pawned her jewels to defray the expenses of Columbus's expedition, and, in references to this incident, Douglas Jerrold suggested that if the Americans had duly reflected of it they would certainly have quarrelled with their stars and stripes the three balls in their national flag.

The Lombards played an important part in the Middle Ages, and it was due to their method of advancing money to create industry that so much wealth was brought to England. The best monument to their memory lay in the fact that the most important street in the first city of the world retained the name of Lombard, which was not disowned by the modern pawnbroker. On the contrary, by using it he perpetuated its significance and proved that pawnbroking was originally the mother of commerce and the great progenitor of the modern banking system.

BEGGAR'S BOARD.

OVER £200 IN HIS CLOTHES.

A man of 70 who was found lying on the roadway at Teddington suffering from under-nourishment and taken to hospital on Thames Embankment, as a "desperate person" was found to have over £200 in his possession.

The man, William Gradidge, has been a familiar figure to the residents of Teddington for some time. Sitting in Park Road he appeared to be a penniless and broken old man and often received contributions given in charity.

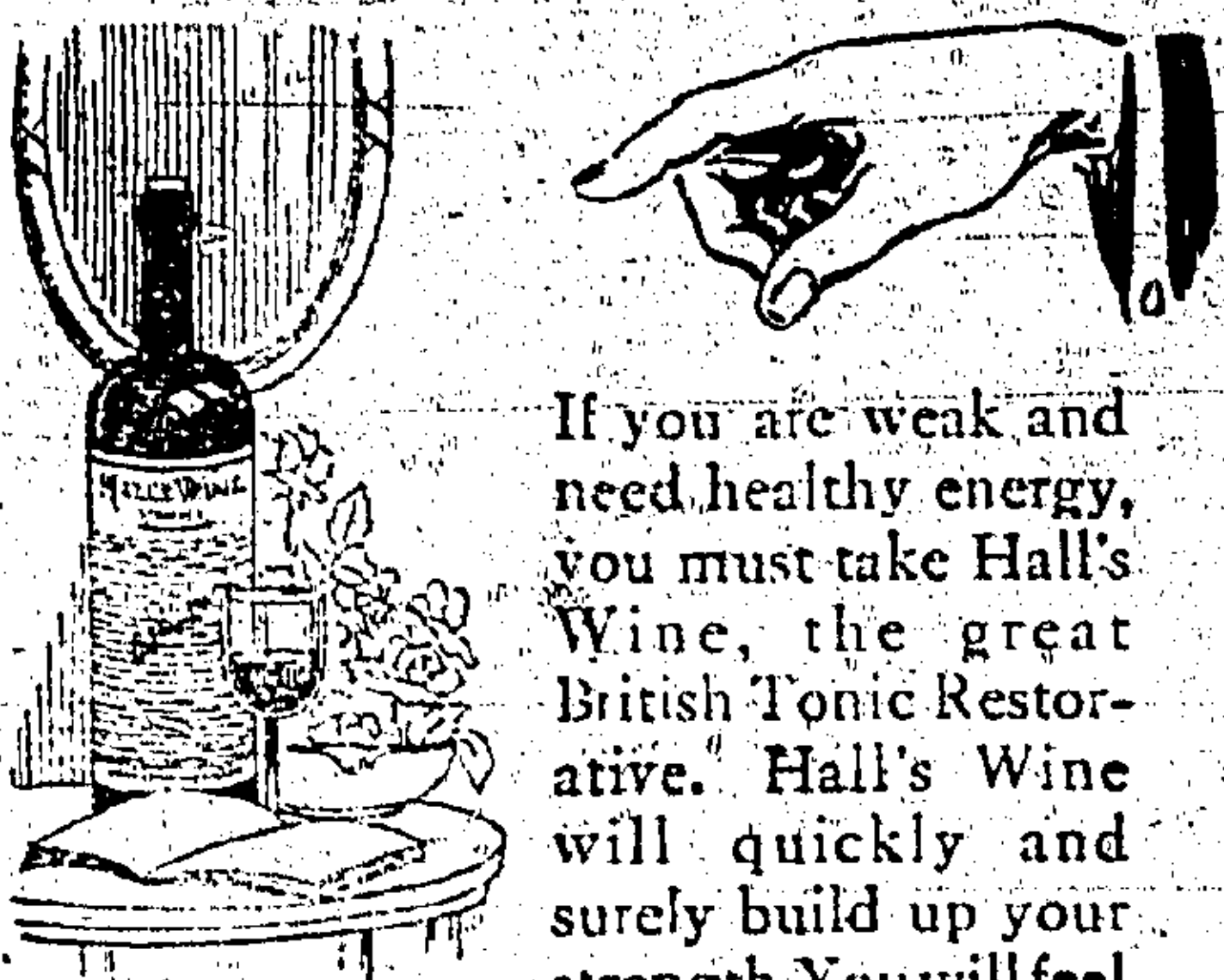
When his overcoat was shaken at the infirmary some gold coins fell out. Further search showed that stowed away in a haphazard manner in his scanty clothing there were:

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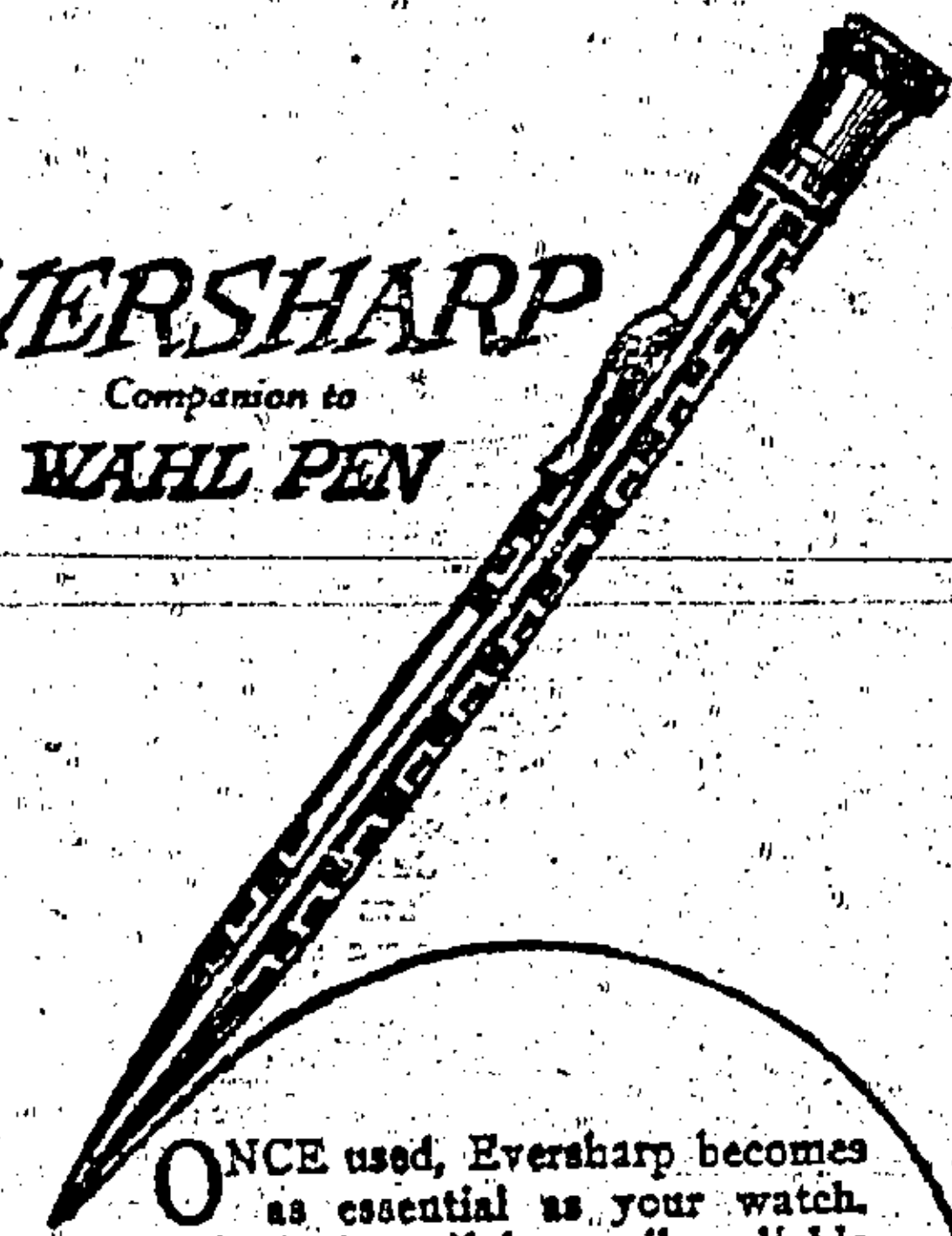
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FROCKS LIKE THE SUNSET. FASHION'S PART IN A BRIGHTER LONDON.

Londoners owe a debt of gratitude to Fashion, and the dress artists who, between them, are bent on making this Empire Exhibition year as bright as possible, says a home paper.

Pillar-box dresses have already been mentioned, and now we have the sunset frock, or the rainbow frock, as the mid-night sun frock—each will name it according to her own view of the matter.

There are gowns that remind one of flaming sunsets, and others that suggest a perfect summer night, with a little imagination the sparkling jewel trimming can be taken as the stars twinkling against a blue background.

ORANGE "RAINBOW."

Although day gowns are bright, evening ones are even brighter. Imagine the lovely effect of billowy masses of shaded tulle, vivid orange at its deepest, pale yellow at its lightest set, together with white tulle on a foundation of silver and orange tissue.

The result is gay, but not so gay as another gown, the silver tulle gown which is veiled with cyclamen-coloured tulle and draperies of bright blue chiffon.

Above the skirt thus treated rises a cyclamen-coloured bodice with blue and yellow and purple beads, and blue breaks out again along the neck-line.

TIDE OF CARS.

Gowns like these and others equally exciting were seen at the Maison Ross show in Grafton Street, when special policemen had to be summoned to control the tide of cars carrying enthusiasts to dressland.

For the woman who likes to be original all kinds of out-of-the-way dresses are provided. One of the most striking was of vivid green, and gold and coloured brocade patterned with Chinese figures and landscapes and hung with swinging green tassels.

LONG SLEEVES FASHION. LONGCHAMPS DECREE.

No more bare arms is the latest dictate of the Paris fashion world, which has come to the conclusion that bare arms must be strictly reserved for evening frocks. This was clearly to be seen at Longchamps, where in glorious sunshine the opening meeting was the occasion for a glorious display of summer frocks.

The new sleeved walking costumes are wonderful combinations of simple lines and gorgeous embroidery. One costume which stood out as the most prominent model of the new style was in black. With long sleeves closely fitting down to the wrist, and with frills hanging over the hands, and plainly pleated skirt, it would have been almost too severe but for the touch of many-coloured tulle which was white, with a floral design in red and gold and purple.

With different colour combinations, this type of frock was certainly in the majority. But all the frocks without exception had long sleeves.

Hats were all of the small cloche type.

MADONNA LAW SUIT. LADY DIANA COOPER'S RIVAL.

Princess Marchiselli, who is alternating with Lady Diana Cooper as the Madonna in the New York production of "The Miracle," began a suit against the producer, Mr. Morris Cost, in the Supreme Court of New York recently for £118,640 damages.

She demands:

For the failure of the producer to keep his engagement to her exclusive appearance as the Madonna, £25,140.

For his failure to procure her excellent publicity as promised, £25,140.

For forcing her to appear on the stage in an old cloak that had seen service in the theatrical season of 1911, £2,300.

For arrears of salary, £50.

The princess, in her complaint, describes her astonishment when, shortly after Mr. Cost engaged her, she read the announcement that Lady Diana was to alternate with her as the Madonna. She alleges that she was induced to consent to drawing lots to determine who should be the first to appear, but that the drawing was prearranged.

STORY OF A CABLE.

She further asserts that in playing one famous actress against another she has been made the victim of a deliberate publicity device, and charges that before she left Paris Mr. Cost sent her agent the following cabled instruction:

Arrange for the departure of Signora Casini (the stage name of the princess) in the Majestic. Tell her to telephone the New York Herald, New York Times, and the World that she has heard that Mr. Cost has employed Lady Diana Cooper to play the Madonna, but that it is impossible, because Reinhardt, the creator of "The Miracle," engaged her for the part, and she has been chosen by God for it, and if Mr. Cost denies God he certainly will be punished.

Mr. Cost, after reading the complaint, said: "The princess is very temperamental and imaginative, and a great artist."

THE MODERN GIRL.

"To me the modern girl is very attractive and very mysterious," Mr. H. A. L. Fisher, a former President of the Board of Education, said when speaking at the Westminster City Hall on behalf of the Blue Triangle Forward Movement.

He did not profess to understand her, he stated, and contended that no one over the age of 45 was at all likely to understand her—she was only likely to be understood by one person, and that was the modern girl herself.

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17 FEMALES TO 10 MALES. AND WHERE THE TABLES ARE INVERSED.

Everybody knows that there is a heavy majority of the fair sex in Great Britain—an excess of nearly 2,000,000 was revealed by the census of 1921—but little, if anything, is known as to the distribution of this surplus. In Scotland, in Devon, there were only 844 females to 1,000 males, or over 17 of the latter to 10 of the former. At Bexhill there were 12,431 females to only 7,519 males.

But there were places where the masculine superiority in numbers was almost equally pronounced. Tillymore, for example, 10,000 females to 5,999 males, so that for every 10 males there were no fewer than 16 females. While Carrington, in Kent, had 16,000 males and only 9,734 females.

Sussex was the county with the highest proportion of females, there being 1,274 of them for every 1,000 males; while Monmouth, at the other end of the scale, had only 940 to 1,000 males.

12 YEARS' LONGER LIFE.

HOW 1924 CHILD COMPARES WITH ITS GRANDFATHER.

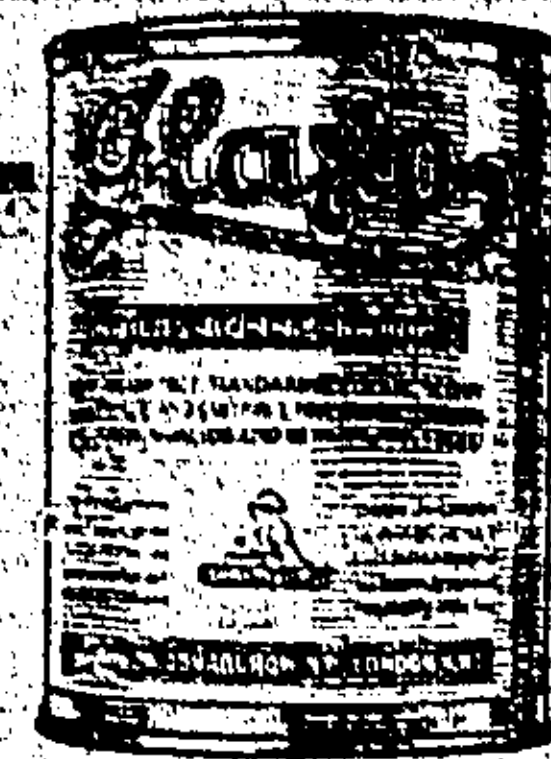
A child born to-day has an expectation of twelve years more life than its grandfather, said Sir Kingsley Wood, M.P., in his presidential address at the Faculty of Insurance Conference held at the Kingsway Hall, W.C., recently. Other facts he gave to show how the health conditions of the nation are improving were:

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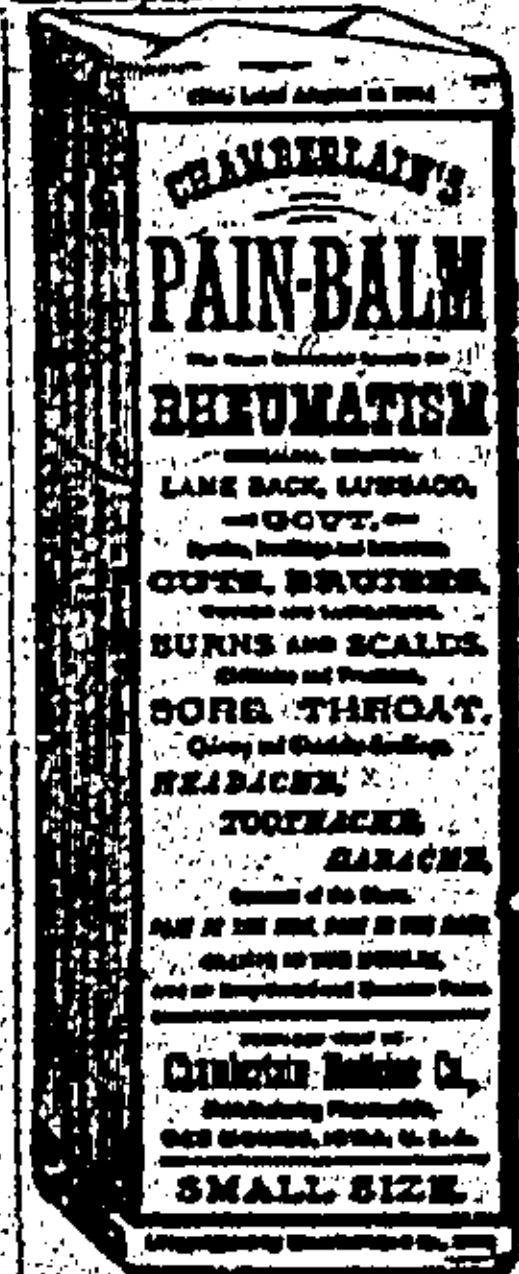
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Let us finally grasp the truth that the dietary of childhood and youth, and of the expectant and nursing mother, constitute one problem, whilst the dietary of middle-age is another and a very different problem. The child is actually creating new tissue, and must have enough of the building material for the purpose, which we call protein; but the adult has no such need. The waste of protein in his body is very slow, and his needs of further protein are accordingly very restricted. Again we recognize two vitamins, provisionally known as A and B, without which growth is impossible. In their absence we may expect a stunted and rickety body instead of a healthy and well-developed one. We must, therefore, see to it that those who grow, and those who, like the expectant and nursing mother, are eating not only for their own needs but on behalf of a young body which must grow, shall receive abundance of the foods which are known to contain the growth-vitamins in large proportion. But meanwhile we must ask, as indeed Dr. Monckton Copeman, F.R.S., has recently done, whether an excess of growth-vitamins may not be actually injurious to the fully-grown body of middle-age. Inquiry on a large scale is now proceeding into that question, and I will not prejudge the results; but we may note that, in any case, the need of growth-vitamins in the adult body is very small.

DRASTIC REFORM NEEDED

In respect of certain kinds of excess we certainly know that definite evils follow. Excess of fat tends to be accumulated and to shorten life, as the statistics of longevity and body-weight clearly prove. Long-continued excess of starches and sugars probably exhausts those precious island-cells in the pancreas which produce "insulin," and leads to diabetes. Common sense, probably, of all excesses in proteins throws undue strain upon the organs of elimination, and leads to Bright's disease, and to degeneration of the soft and elastic walls of the arteries. Further, the proteins are made of combinations of acids, and these are dissociated in the body, so that the condition called "acidosis" supervenes upon protein excess. This is a chronic food-poisoning or auto-intoxication. Dietetic intemperance is everywhere common and fatal. We dig our graves with our teeth.

Observe, now, that whilst the death-rate amongst infants in Great Britain has been almost halved in the last twenty years, the death-rate above the age of forty-five is as high now as it was seventy years ago. Many enemies of middle-age have been attacked with success; but we import some 60 lbs. of meat per head per annum, as against about 5 lbs. two generations ago. The detailed statistical American evidence is to the same effect as our own. In a word, middle-aged diet, notably in the prosperous, carnivorous, luxurious Anglo-Saxon and North European countries, is disastrous, and needs drastic reform. Last year, I travelled widely in Holland, Denmark, Sweden and Finland to the urban parts of all of which this criticism applies.

All the estimates as to our protein needs made by the great German pioneers of dietetics in the nineteenth century, must be abandoned. The American students, such as Professor Chittenden, and my friend, Dr. Hindheide, the great Danish expert whose advice saved his country from starvation during War, have been overwhelmingly proved to be right. As against the old view, these men stand for what they call "low protein." They have proved by long and manifold experiments, including most drastic experiments by Dr. Hindheide on himself and his devoted laboratory assistants—that adults can live and thrive and do hard work on a very small fraction of the protein which most people consume. Not only so, but such adults live longer, have less illness, work and play harder, and enjoy life accordingly. This is not a killjoy doctrine, nor the preaching of asceticism or self-denial for its own sake; it is the very reverse.

OVER-EATING AND CANCER

The War imposed upon Denmark the necessity for a biological experiment. Dr. Hindheide had been laughed at for many years, and had hosts of enemies, as every champion of the anti-alcoholic cause must have. But, in its sore need, the nation turned to him. On potatoes and whole cereals the people thrived. Not only so, but the death-rate of the middle-aged, especially of men, fell fast and far. It is true that the saving of grain from the brewers and distillers involved something very near total abstinence during this important fact does not account for anything like the whole of the results. Lastly, note that, since the removal of the restrictions, and the return to the flesh-pots of Denmark, the middle-aged death-rate has risen again to the old level.

The evidence connecting over-eating, or certain kinds of over-eating, with the increase of cancer in all modern prosperous nations, accumulates, and is now the subject of a special statistical inquiry in San Francisco, for which I am partly responsible. It may or may not be the case that over-eating causes cancer by first causing constipation. We shall see.

Certainly the advice of modern physiology and pathology to the middle-aged is clear. "Eat less meat; eat vastly less meat; eat a minimum of meat, or none at all. Eat wholesome bread. Eat fruit and fresh vegetables freely. Above all

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 12th May, 1924. [768]

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Albatross (M.O.S.K.), due May 16th.
Havilland (M.M.), due May 26th.
Cyclops (Blut Funnell), due May 31st.
Demodocus (Blut Funnell), due June 7th.
Empress of Russia (due May 19th).
Hindenburg (Hugo Stinnes), due May 30th.

Leopold (Blue Funnell), due May 23rd.

Mercury (Blue Funnell), due May 15th.

Phosphorus (P.M.), due May 16th.

President Hayes (Dollar Line), due June 23rd.

President Harrison (Dollar), due May 26th.

President McKinley (Admiral Oriental), due May 17th.

President Madison (Admiral Oriental), due to-day.

Selkie (P. & O.), due May 15th.

Tango Maru, due May 21st.

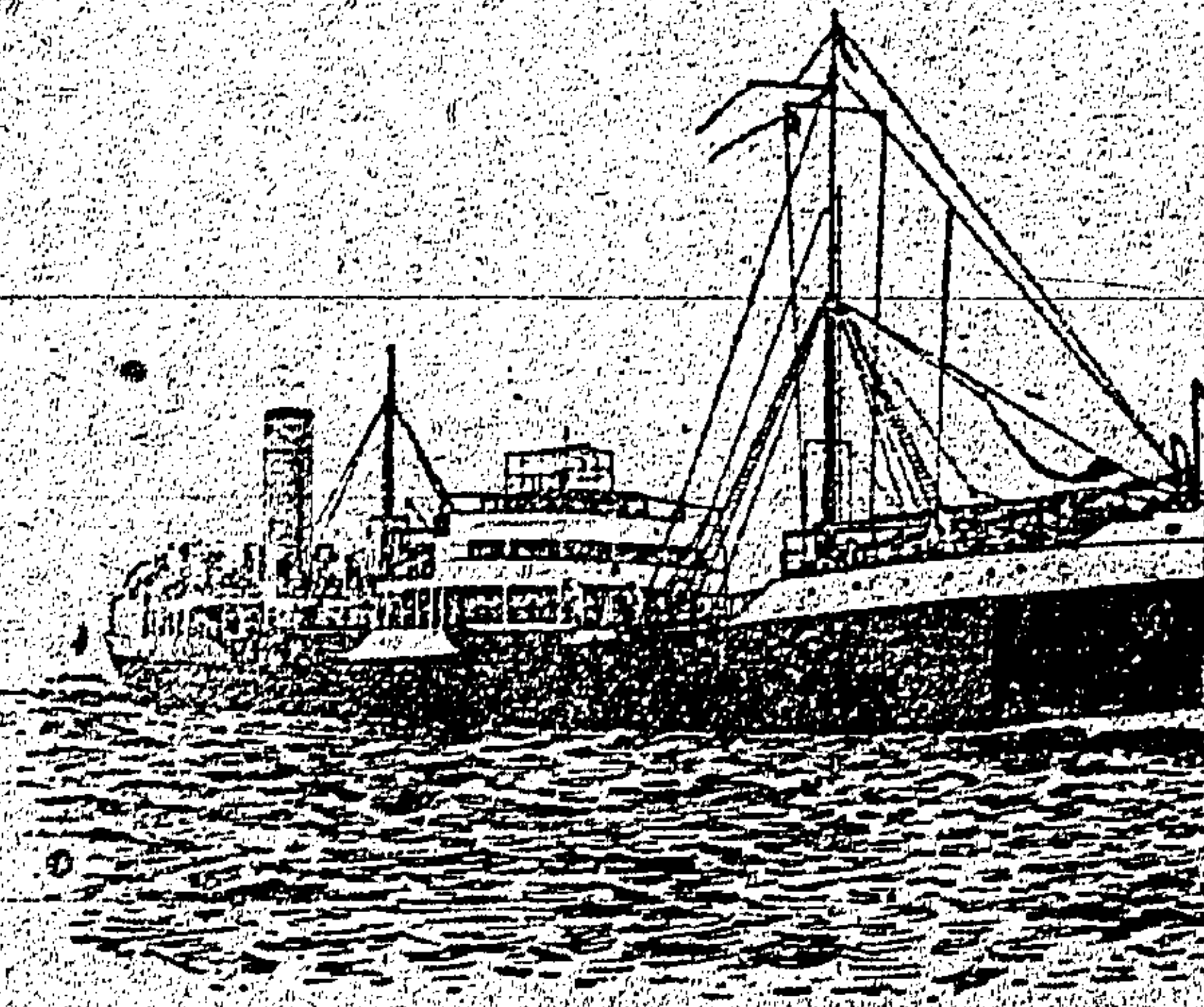
four constipation as the plague; it is the cause of civilization and the plague of plagues. Whilst you revise your diet, if necessary, so as to make an end of constipation, use paraffin as a convenient expedient. For choice, use fruit and vegetables in the uncooked natural state, as in salads. Whatever tends to constipate tends to kill. This advice is for the well who wish to remain so. The ill must, of course, consult their doctor. I do not write for them.

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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"CHONGSHING"	Thursday, 15th May, 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"YUENSHANG"	Saturday, 17th May, 11 a.m.
MANILA	"CHIPSHING"	Sunday, 18th May, 7 a.m.
TIENSIN	"YATSHING"	Sunday, 18th May, 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"CHUNSHANG"	Sunday, 18th May, 10 a.m.
HONGKONG via SWATOW	"KWANSHANG"	Tuesday, 20th May, 2 p.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW	"TUNGSHING"	Wednesday, 21st May, 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"NAMSANG"	Wednesday, 21st May, 2 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"TAISANG"	Friday, 23rd May, 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"SUISANG"	Saturday, 24th May, 1 p.m.
MANILA via AMOY	"WINSANG"	Sunday, 25th May, 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"YONGSANG"	Tuesday, 27th May, 8 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"FOOKSANG"	Thursday, 29th May, 7 a.m.
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 Alves, Miss P. Rickard, Mr. T. Lopez,
 Rev. F. Paul Revere, Rev. A. Jones,
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 E. Bray, Mrs. Theresa Bray, Mr. Leo R.
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 igne, Master S. Peditguigne, Miss V.
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 Mr. Thos. Regnolds, Mr. J. Schelling,
 Mr. J. H. Smith, Mr. R. W. Smith, Mr.
 P. Wirthschmidt, and Miss R. Wulff.

May 13th at 18.40—Pressure has decreased moderately at Chefoo and slightly at Shanghai. It is decreased slightly from N. E. Japan to the Bonins, and is nearly stationary in the South. The northern anticyclone appears to have broken up. One is now shown over Japan. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending 22

18 hours, May 13th, 0.00 inch. Total since
January 1st, 1963 inch.

of 13.55 inches.	
The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, May 14th is as follows:-	
DISTRICT	FORECAST.
Formosa Channel	S.E. wind, moderate; fair.
Hongkong to Great Rock	
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	th.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	do.
HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.	
"Hongkong Observatory, May 13th."	
Previous On Date	On Date
at	at

	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	2 p.m.
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Barometer	29.83	29.89	29.87
Temperature	80	79	87
Humidity	63	57	81
Wind Direction	SEB	SEB	SEB
Force	2	0	2
Weather	c	c	c
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highest open-air Temperature on 15th	87		87
Lowest open-air Temperature on 16th	79		79

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.
From May 14th to 26th, 1924.

HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Wed.	14	h. 6 m. 21	ft. 0 in.	Wed.	14	h. 1 m. 33	ft. 0 in.
Thurs.	15	m. 6 46	8	Thurs.	15	m. 0 15	1 9

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July	23	July	25	EXPRESS RUSSIA	July	26	July	28

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NIHONYA MARU		July 12th	20,500 tons

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..... Wednesday, 4th June

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
..... Tuesday, 30th May

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.
..... Wednesday, 14th May

TAJIMA MARU Wednesday, 14th May

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.
..... Monday, 28th May, at 11 a.m.
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..... Friday, 13th June

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BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
..... Friday, 28th May
..... Tuesday, 27th May

HAOKODATE MARU Friday, 28th May
WAKASA MARU Tuesday, 27th May

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
..... Tuesday, 28th May
..... Thursday, 29th May

AKITA MARU Tuesday, 28th May
MURORAN MARU Thursday, 29th May

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA
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..... Wednesday, 14th May
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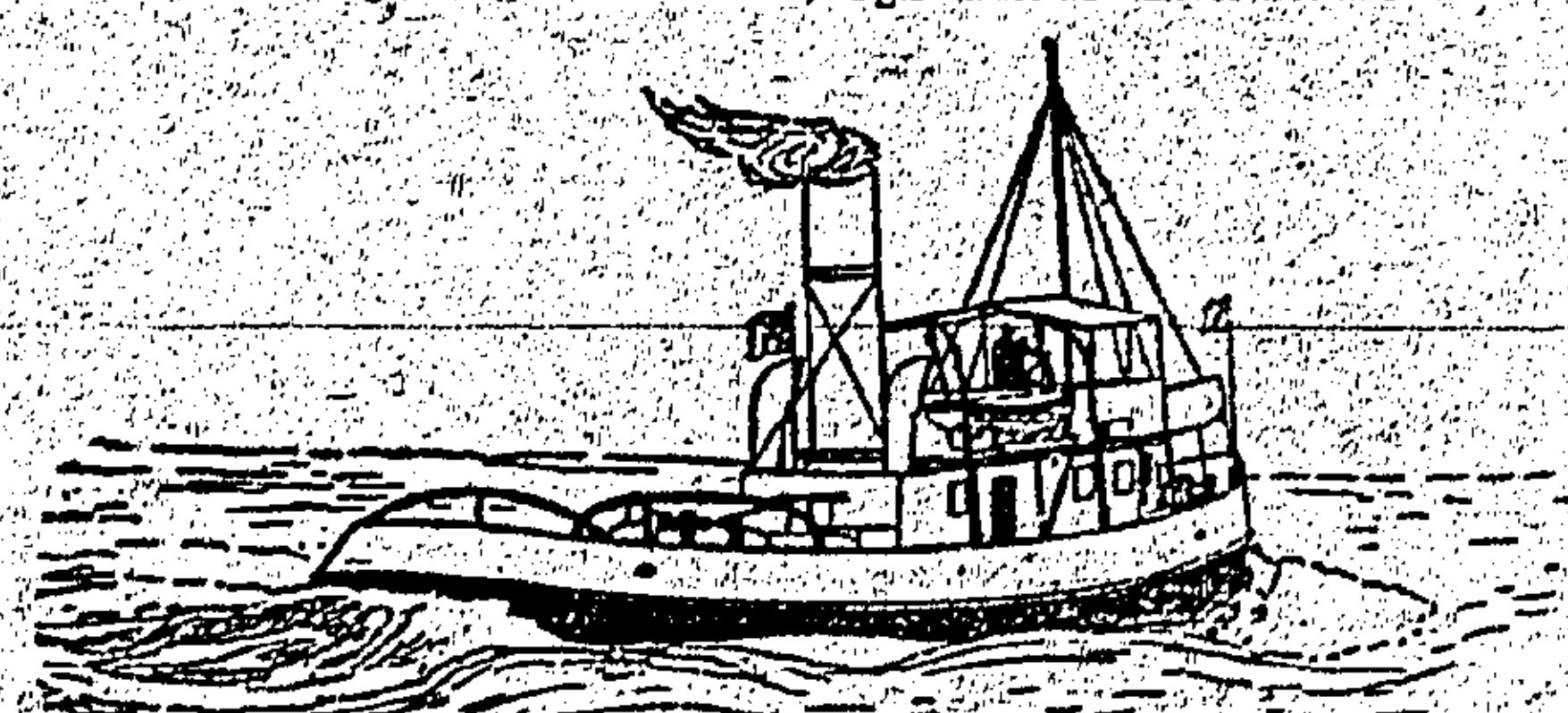
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PORTUGES	22nd May	23rd June	20th July

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"PLASSY"	7,432	17th May, Noon	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	8,883	24th May	do.
"NAGPORE"	9,087	31st May	S'pore, Colombo & B'way.
"KRIVA"	9,473	5th June	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"ALIPORE"	8,813	12th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SICILIA"	8,840	14th June	do.
"KASHGAR"	8,698	21st June	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"SOU DAN"	10,911	28th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MOREA"	8,058	12th July	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KARMA LA"	8,813	19th July	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	26th July	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"DEVANHA"	8,058	2nd Aug.	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	9th Aug.	do.
"KALYAN"	9,118	16th Aug.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KASHMIR-THIND"	11,430	23rd Aug.	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	30th Aug.	do.
"MOREA"	10,911	6th Sept.	do.
"KASHGAR"	8,640	13th Sept.	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,941	20th Sept.	do.
"KARMA LA"	8,058	27th Sept.	do.
"MANTUA"	10,902	4th Oct.	do.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

"TAKADA"	6,940	30th May	Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
"TORILLA"	5,295	13th June	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	18th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"EASTERN"	4,000	28th May	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
"KALYAN"	9,087	4th July	Island, Townsville, Brisbane,
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"SICILIA"	8,813	18th May, Noon	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	19th May, 4 p.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TORILLA"	5,295	24th May	Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	31st May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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"DEVANHA"	8,058	25th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,118	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR-THIND"	11,430	15th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	22nd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,640	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMA LA"	8,058	19th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,087	3rd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	17th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMA LA"	8,058	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	31st Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,087	7th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,963	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	21st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMA LA"	8,058	28th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	5th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,087	12th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"CHENGTO"	On 16th May, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"KANOHOW"	On 17th May, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"TCHANG"	On 17th May, 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 18th May, 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"HUNAN"	On 19th May, Noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 20th May, 2 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 20th May, 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHINKIANG"	On 21st May, Noon.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 21st May, 3 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINGYUAN"	On 21st May, 3 p.m.
SWATOW SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"CHUNGKING"	On 22nd May, 3 p.m.
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Australia & Manila	Tungo Maru	14th May
Manila	Yas Motien	14th May
Shanghai	Szechow	14th May
Shanghai	Chungking	14th May
Shanghai	Yungchow	14th May
Suez and Straits	Menor	15th May
Shanghai	Cahila	15th May
Straits	Scilla	15th May
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers, London, 17th April, & Parole, 10th April)	Kashgar	17th May
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	17th May
Shanghai	Patroclus	18th May
Straits	Suez Maru	18th May
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Exp. of Russia	19th May
Japan	Atsuta Maru	20th May
Australia & Manila	Chongha	20th May
Japan	Aki Maru	20th May
U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Harrison	20th May

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date
Shanghai	Shidzuka Maru	Wednesday, 14th, 9.30 A.M.
Hainan	Borneo	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Tithodus	Noon
Amoy	Szechow	1.00 P.M.
Szechow	Kwang sang	2.30 P.M.
Szechow	Haiyang	3.30 P.M.
Szechow and Wuchow	Taining	4.30 P.M.
Rothow and Hainan	Chongking	Thursday, 15th, 8.30 A.M.
Japan	Tungo Maru	9.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Mitropora	10.30 A.M.
Szechow	Hydrangea	3.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and Europe via Victoria, B.C., 4th June, and Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Pres. Madison	Parcels 15th, 5.00 P.M. Letters 16th, 8.00 A.M. Letters 16th, 8.30 A.M.
Hollow and Bangkok	Chungking	8.00 A.M.
Formosa	Ki-hu Maru	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Scilla	10.30 A.M.
Szechow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	4.00 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 14th June	Plauy	Parcels 16th, 5.00 P.M. Saturday, 17th, 9.45 A.M. Letters 18th, 10.30 A.M.
Manila	Yuenyang	10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Kunshau	2.30 P.M.
Szechow, Amoy and Formosa	Ai-jo Maru	Sunday, 18th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai & Japan	Ko-hgar	9.00 A.M.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Monday, 19th, 3.30 P.M.
Shanghai	Patroclus	10.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 18th June	Patroclus	Registration 1.45 P.M. Letters 2.30 P.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Suez Maru	Tuesday, 20th, 10.30 A.M.
Szechow and Bangkok	Kwangchow	12.30 P.M.
Amoy	Yungchow	12.30 P.M.
Szechow	Rhena	2.30 P.M.
Szechow, Amoy and Foochow	Chongking	3.00 P.M.
Szechow	Tungching	Wednesday, 21st, 8.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 22nd June	Atsuta Maru	Registration 8.45 A.M. Letters 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central & South America, & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco, 13th June, & Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Pres. Cleveland	Parcels Noon Registration 2.45 P.M. Letters 2.30 P.M.
Manila	Oanfa	2.30 P.M.

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NINGCHOW	20th June	Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow

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Credits, at 4 months sight	24 1/2
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On Paris—	
Bank Bills, on demand	920
Credits, 4 months sight	1, 20
On New York—	
Bank Bills, on demand	61 1/2
Credits, at 30 days sight	59
On Bombay—	
Telegraphic Transfer	168 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	168 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Telegraphic Transfer	182 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	182 1/2
On Shanghai—	
Bank Bills, at sight	100
On Yokohama—On demand	104 1/2
On Manila—On demand	104 1/2
On Singapore—On demand	104 1/2
On Batavia—On demand	104 1/2
On Haiphong—On demand	104 1/2
On Saigon—On demand	104 1/2
On Bangkok—On demand	104 1/2
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Bar Silver, per oz.	33 1/2

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A. H. PERKINSON, Manager.
Hongkong, April 8th, 1924. [31]

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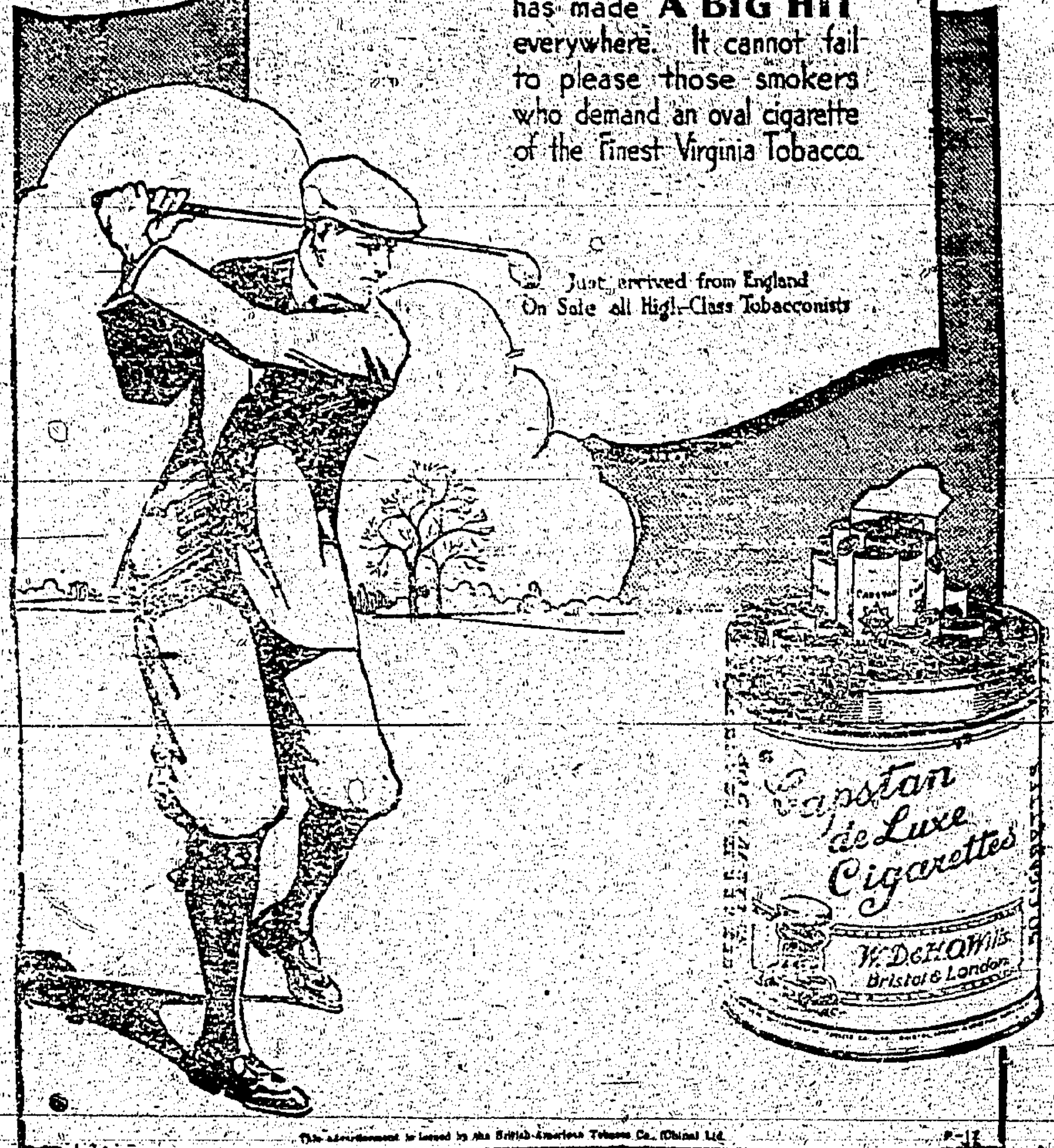
S. KONDOH, Manager.
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Hongkong, 20th March, 1924. [32]

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Hongkong, September 8th, 1921. [35]